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"Steel Frame" Liquidation

Process To Cost India 15 Million Pounds

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI. Dec. 2.

The liquidation of the "steel frame" and other India Secretary's services will cost India about fifteen million pounds, it is estimated here. On April 1, 1947, the India Secretary will cease to exercise his control over his services on the civil side. From that date, their control will pass on to the Indian Government. The India Secretary has approved of the principle and has now intimated his decision to the India Government, I learn.

The machinery for liquidating control will be shortly set in motion and the whole process is expected to be completed by December 31. The Home Department will shortly invite the present personnel of the India Secretary's services whether they would consent to serve under Indian masters on terms under preparation here. "Paripassu" they will be assured that their interests will remain intact. The India Secretary's decision includes compensation to both the Indian and British servicemen if they choose to retire from service.

The prineipal services affected are the I.C.S. and the Indian Police. Great credit is due to the Home member, Sardar Patel, who initiated the proposal soon after he took over the Home Portfolio. A census is being taken at the moment of every Government employee with particular reference to his nationality. The basic idea underlying the scheme is to weed out non-nationals from the services and to make it completely Indian.

STOP PRESS

VICEROY AND PARTY TO LEAVE MALTA EARLY MORNING

VALETTA (Malta), Dec. 2. (Reuter): The party of Indian leaders and Lord Wavell will leave Malta for London by air at 1 a.m. to-morrow (Tuesday) (i.e. 5-30 I.S.T.), according to latest indications here to-night.

Pandit Nehru, Mr. Jinnah and Lord Wavell are at present guests of the Governor of Malta, Mr. F. C. R. Douglas, while Sardar Baldev Singh and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan are guests of Lieutenant-Governor Sir David Campbell.

MONGHYR S. I. SHOT DEAD

MONGHYR, December 2. (A.P.I.): Mr. Bra Mohan Sahay, a sub-inspector of police stationed at Sheikhpira thana, in Monghyr district, is reported to have been shot dead last evening by a patrol on duty. The District Magistrate with an armed force has proceeded to the spot.

STUDENTS THROW BOMBS IN ALEXANDRIA

ALEXANDRIA, December 2. (Reuter): Striking students in Alexandria today threw two bombs which injured a policeman and an Egyptian woman passer-by.

The police dispersed the students by firing buckshot and later made several arrests after searching the students, some of whom were found carrying firearms.

Attlee Gives Finishing Touches To Plan

WILL MEET JAWAHAR TO-DAY AT DOWNING ST.

Constituent Assembly Schedule Will Not Be Upset

LONDON, December 2. (A. P. A); Prime Minister Clement Attlee reviewed for the British Cabinet today the steps he and his fellow negotiators will take this week to convince Indian political leaders that the great sub-continent must carry through its independence programme without touching off a civil war.

VICEROY & PARTY HELD UP AT MALTA

A Government source said the Cabinet reaffirmed its intention to make the meeting of the Constituent Assembly, scheduled to be held in New Delhi on December 9, successful and effective "within the framework of the British Government's plan, announced last May".

An India Office spokesman said that the talks may resolve into a bid to persuade Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan to reverse their threat to boycott the historic meeting of India's first Constitution-Making Body, after 88 years of rule by the British Crown.

Formal round table talks will begin on Wednesday and last until Friday, when the party is due to return to India in time for the opening of the Constituent Assembly session.

Britain has undertaken neither to reopen negotiations for Indian independence outside the Cabinet plan announced last May, nor to postpone the opening of the Constituent Assembly.

Attlee-Nehru Talks

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru will see the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee alone at Number 10, Downing Street, to-morrow at 10-00 a.m. At the same time, Mr. M. A. Jinnah and his colleague Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, will be closeted with the Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence at the India Office. These two are the first of the six individual meetings which are to form the opening stage of the vital constitutional talks between Lord Wavell and the Congress, Muslim League and Sikh leaders on the one hand and the British Cabinet Mission and Government on the other.

In the course of to-morrow, the Prime Minister will see the leaders of the three groups separately. His talk with Pandit Nehru will be followed by another with Mr. M. A. Jinnah and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan and later, he will receive Sardar Baldev Singh, the Sikh leader.

Lord Pethick-Lawrence will also receive the three party leaders separately.

Receptions To Leaders

To-morrow, Mr. A. V. Alexander will entertain Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Liaquat

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No Anglo-U. S. Military Pact

Communist Report Firmly Repudiated

LONDON, Dec. 2. (Reuter): An alleged announcement by War Office spokesmen that Britain and the United States are about to conclude a secret military pact was firmly repudiated in official British quarters to-day.

The London Communist newspaper "Daily Worker" stated to-day that, "Britain is about to enter a far-reaching military pact with the United States. Secretly without Parliament being consulted, Chiefs of Staff have agreed on full details. War Office spokesmen officially state that the pact will operate as soon as Mr. A. Alexander takes over as Minister of Defence".

Commenting on the report, a spokesmen of the British War office said to-day: "In view of the report published in a morning newspaper the War Office denies that any official announcement has been made concerning a military pact between Britain and the United States".

The U.P.A. adds: A Government spokesman said to-day that the United States and Britain were discussing "on a technical level" the standardization of weapons and further peacetime co-operation but denied that any hard and fast agreements or decisions had been reached.

New Dewan Of Cochin

ERNAKULAM, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): It is reliably learnt that Dewan Bahadur C. P. Karunakara Menon, Regional Food Commissioner, Madras, has been appointed Dewan of Cochin in succession to Sir George Boag, who will proceed on leave in the middle of March next, preparatory to retirement.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.

Stock Exchange opening prices: Anaconda copper mining 40-3/8, General motors 49, United States steel common unquoted, United States steel preference unquoted. (Reuter.)

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

The Calcutta stock exchange today continued steady and only limited business was put through.

Delhi Prepares For Dec. 9.

Congress Members To Meet On Saturday

Gopalaswami Iyengar Tipped For Constituent Assembly Presidentship

NEW DELHI, December 2. (A.P.I.): Congress members of the Constituent Assembly are gradually taking up their residence in Delhi. Most of them have come after attending the annual Congress session at Meerut, where they defined and adopted the outline of the mandate governing their work in the Constitution-Making Body.

Their arrival at the Capital has stimulated informal exchange of views on procedural preliminaries to the inaugural session on December 9 with Dr. Sachidananda Sinha as temporary chairman. It is expected that a full meeting of Congress members will be held on December 7 to settle a number of points of importance to the party.

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

According to a tentative programme for the Constituent Assembly, the first day will be occupied mainly by the signing in of members. There will be no oath taking, but each member will first present his or her credentials in the form of a written authority from the Speaker of the Provincial Assembly concerned certifying that he or she has been duly elected to the Constituent Assembly. Then the member will sign a special register prepared for the purpose for each province bearing the Provincial Coat of Arms.

The temporary chairman will thereafter make a brief address of welcome to members. The next step will be to adopt a set of rules for the election of the permanent President. These will probably be on the lines followed in the Central Assembly.

METHOD OF WORK

The name generally mentioned in connection with this high office is that of Sir Gopalaswami Iyengar.

Other matters of procedure will be taken up after the election of the President. A series of committees will be set up such as a Steering Committee, a Finance Committee, a House Commttee and so on.

The first phase of the Assembly's work is expected to last till the third week of January with a brief interval during Christmas. It will thereafter be interrupted by the budget session of the Central Legislature, but the work of committees will probably be continued.

INVITATION TO MEMBERS

A press 'communique' says:

"Invitations for the preliminary meeting of the Constituent Assembly to be held on the 9th December were posted to all members on the 20th November 1946. In case, due to changes in address or for other reasons, an invitation has not reached any member, he is requested to take cognisance of this press communique and to attend the meeting. Members are requested to bring with them their credentials signed by the Speakers of the Assemblies which elected them as well as the cards sent to them.

"Applications for press and visitors passes should be sent to the Secretary, Constituent Assembly, Council House, New Delhi. Accommodation for visitors being very limited, applications received late or other than through members have no chance of being accepted."

EIGHT NON-OFFICIAL DAYS DURING BUDGET SESSION

NEW DELHI, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): It is learnt that for the Budget Session of the Central Assembly beginning on January 20, eight non-official days have been allotted instead of the usual four. This is regarded as a gesture from the Interim Government to the importance of non-official business.

LONDON, Dec. 2. (U.P.A.): Reports from Athens said to-day that Field Marshal Montgomery visited Greek War Minister Dragoumis. A dinner in Montgomery's honour is planned at the British Embassy to-night and to-morrow he will be Dragoumis' dinner guest.

Mr. Jagjiwan Ram, Labour Member, Government of India, is seen delivering his presidential speech at the Conference of States' Ministers (Labour), which began in New Delhi on Nov. 29.

Stern Gang Strikes Again In Jerusalem

BLOW UP JEEP, KILLING FOUR BRITISH SOLDIERS

Foreign Office Denies New Plan For Palestine

JERUSALEM, December 2. (U.P.A.): The Stern Gang struck again today killing four British soldiers with an electrically detonated mine on the Tel-Aviv-Jerusalem highway.

In the first daylight incident on inter-urban roads, the mine was detonated six miles outside of Jerusalem, hurling the soldiers and the jeep they were riding in two meters off the road. Traffic was halted for several minutes.

Meanwhile, the Irgun Zvai Leumi announced the "exemption" of rail communications from their "operations".

The dead soldiers belonged to the Sixth Airborne Division.

The Stern Gang continued its war of nerves with a false telephone warning to evacuate the Jerusalem General Post Office because it was mined. This followed an early morning distribution of pamphlets repeating threats of "you will pay with death."

It is rumoured that negotiations have been concluded between the Hagana and the Irgun Zvai Leumi, imposing on the latter a two months' truce but no confirmation is obtainable.

Tension among troops and police reportedly rose after today's incident.

No New Plan For Palestine

LONDON, December 2. (U.P.A.): A Foreign Office spokesman today emphatically denied the submission of a new plan by Britain or British authorities for the solution of the Palestine problem.

The spokesman said that many suggestions of alleged new British proposals were pure speculations which could only mean they were "looking for trouble".

Reports of alleged submission of a seven-point peace plan by Palestine Government experts were described as "absurd" in official British quarters.

ZIONISTS WON'T HAVE IT

Official Zionist quarters in London said that Jewish authorities knew nothing of the new proposals. The Zionists said the suggestions to continue the British mandate for 15 years and the federalization of Palestine into Arab, Jewish and British sectors with admission of 100,000 Jews in 18 months would, if presented, most decidedly be rejected by the Jews.

The Zionists said that such a suggestion bore a resemblance to the original Morrison Plan submitted early in the London Conference. The Jews proposed the establishment of the Jewish State with the acceptance of the transition period but excluding the structure in which the British Government would control Jewish immigration into Palestine.

Palestine Conference To Be Postponed

LONDON, (Reuter): The Palestine Conference due to be resumed here on December 16 will not, it is believed now, take place before the middle of January next year, writes "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

The reasons for the delay are thought to be the impossibility of the Arab delegates at the United Nations General Assembly returning in time and the fact that the date would clash with the opening of the Zionist Congress at Basle, Switzerland.

Dollars To Aid Jews

BASLE, December 2, (Reuter): Jewish Zionist leaders are expected to seek the authority, at the World Zionist Congress opening here on December 9, to appeal to Jews all over the world for voluntary contribution of £14,000,000 for development work in Palestine.

The bulk of the voluntary contributions to the Palestine Foundation Fund this year came from Jews in the United States, who subscribed 70 per cent of the £3,600,000 raised during the first nine months of 1946. The fund has provided two thirds of the Jewish Agency's income since the summer of 1939 when the last Zionist Congress was held at Zurich.

In that period the Agency's income was £15,800,000—leaving it with a deficit of £1,700,000, after an expenditure of £17,500,000 in Palestine, according to the figures recently disclosed by Mr. Elazer Gaplan, the Agency's treasurer.

Mr. Kaplan disclosed that Jewish people would shortly receive £22500,000 as reparations from Germany through the International Refugee committee. Of this amount, three-fifths would go to American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the remainder to the Jewish Agency.

Tri-colour Triumphs In Goa

(From A Correspondent)

NOVA GOA, Dec. 1.

Mr. M. R. A. Baig, India's Consul at Nova Goa, has decided not to replace the Indian Tricolour flying on the bonnet of his car though the Portuguese Governor is reported to have urged its replacement.

"It is my nation's banner, and I feel proud to see it flying on my car", Mr. Baig is reported to have told the Governor.

Bengal Famine "Beaten Off"

Ration Cut May Be Restored Next Year

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): "We are now in a position to say that we have beaten off the famine in Bengal this year" said Mr. S. N. Ray, Food Commissioner, Bengal Government, at a Press conference here this morning.

He added, however, that there was no chance of restoring immediately the cut in ration which the Government recently imposed. It might be possible to do so in the New Year.

The total quantity procured during the current year upto November 29 had been 459,261 tons of rice and 187,656 tons of paddy or a total of 584,365 tons in terms of rice.

JUGAL KISHORE TAKES CHARGE

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): Acharya Jugal Kishore, the new General Secretary of the Indian National Congress, took charge of the A.I.C.C. office this morning.

Acharya Jugal Kishore is leaving for Lucknow tonight.

A Friend Of The Poor

Gandhiji Inspires Confidence Among Villagers

SRIRAMPUR, Dec. 2. (U.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi is having a daily programme here as large number of Muslims are visiting his cottage. He is visiting Muslim houses one by one and having hearty chit-chats with members of their family. Muslim men, women and children have picked up confidence in the Mahatma and taken him as their sincere friend. They come to him daily to talk to him about their difficulties and ask for medicines and medical aid.

To the villager Gandhiji has become almost a doctor. Wherever there is need for a doctor, Gandhiji would go out himself to see his patients or send for his personal doctor, Dr. Sushila Nayyar, who is doing individual work of Gandhiji's Peace Mission in the Changergoan village, about three miles from Srirampur. On Saturday last, Gandhiji sent her to one Muslim house to give injections to a sick lady and another rickety boy suffering from 'kalazar'. Dr. Nayyar gave medicines to other members of the family also.

Many people in other villages in the Noakhali district are suffering due to inadequate medical help. Dr. Nayyar is receiving a large number of calls daily from both Hindus and Muslims and she has covered even ten miles on foot to treat her patients. The villagers call her "Doctor Ma". She is trying her best to give medical aid to the sick and the suffering people of both communities with her small stock of medicines.

The Marwari Relief Society has despatched some medicines to the Mahatma for free distribution among the refugees and sick villagers.

GANDHIJI VISITS MUSLIM VILLAGES

SRIRAMPUR, Dec. 1 (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi held his evening prayer in front of his cottage here yesterday. After prayers Gandhiji explained the significance of the first hymn of the prayer.

This hymn was taken from a former Japanese inmate of Gandhiji's 'ashram. This Japanese inmate every morning during an hour's round used to recite the Hymn to the accompaniment of a drum in the 'ashram.' He was a man of sweet temperament and his recitation was sonorous. This Japanese gentleman had come to India in search of facts about Budhism. He was imprisoned during the war and nothing had been heard about him since then. The congregation then dispersed.

Accompanied by Dr. Sushila Nayyar, Mahatma Gandhi visited neighbouring Muslim villages. Some sick women and children in the villages were given medical attention and treatment at Gandhiji's instance.

Sri Krishnadas, who was Gandhiji's Secretary many years ago saw him this morning and had a long talk with him.

Mahatma Gandhi had his usual morning walk accompanied by Dr. Sushila Nayyar.

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Smuts Will Share Fate Of Hitler

Cape Malay Association's Warning To Union Govt.

CAPETOWN, Dec. 1 (Reuter): A meeting under the auspices of the Cape Malay Association on Sunday passed a resolution "realising the necessity for an immediate active campaign for full citizenship for non-Europeans in South Africa".

Another resolution called on the United Nations Organisation to compel the South African Government to give immediate practical expression to its declared democratic policy as emphasised by the South African delegation at UNO. The meeting pledged to push up the Malay Association and link up with other organisations in the fight for freedom and democracy. One speaker declared that Gen. Smuts, who had introduced Ghetto Legislation, would share the same fate as Hitler. "We must be ready to fight for our rights to the extent of spilling blood".

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SUB-COMMITTEE TO STUDY "BIG POWER" VETO

Resolution Adopted By 33 Votes To 8

LAKE SUCCESS, New York, Dec. 1 (Reuter): The United Nations Political Committee holding its first Sunday session to-day in order to hasten the conclusion of protracted deliberations discussed proposals by Australia and Cuba for revision or modification of the Big Power's veto right.

Presenting the revised Australian resolution Mr. Paul Hasluck said: "First there is expression of the opinion that in some instances the use and threat of veto has not been in keeping with the principles of the Charter and understanding of the San Francisco conference; secondly, there is an earnest request to the permanent members of the Security Council to make every effort in consultation with one another to ensure that the use of the special voting privilege does not hinder the Security Council's work; thirdly, it is recommended that the Security Council should adopt practices and procedures consistent with the Charter to reduce difficulties in the application of veto right and ensure prompt and effective exercise by the Security Council of its functions in regard to peaceful settlement."

OPTIMISM INTO PESSIMISM

Mr. Guillermo Belt (Cuba) asked the Committee to vote separately on the two Cuban propositions, one, to convene the General Assembly to reconsider the veto article, and two, the appointment of a special committee of all nations before February 1 to report to the Assembly on possible amendments of the Charter.

Mr. Belt said that the Soviet turned optimism into pessimism two days ago by saying that the disarmament control would be subject to veto. He added that the Russian believed that there existed a voting trust against them. He added: "But M. Molotov forgot to say that when he says 'yes' a torrent of 'yesses' follow."

The British Attorney General Sir Hartley Shawcross said that Britain was in general agreement with the Canadian proposal and would support it. "We shall not however vote for any proposal which involves condemnation of any of the great powers or which would lead to the revision of the Charter", he said. "We shall not be parties to any vote of censure.

DIFFERENCE ABOUT METHODS NOT AIMS

Sir Hartley Shawcross said: "The plain fact is that the great powers must retain the right of veto lest by combination other powers, whose voting strength is greater than their real influence, they may be involved in some vital interest of theirs.

"Those interests do not lie in vetoes but in the hand of friendship. Under our skins, English, Russian, Indian, American, our people are very much the same having the same hopes and fears, the same desire to live our own lives in peace. We shall not realise their hopes if we darken our relations by suspicion and vetoes. Let us turn on the lights in the world and open doors so that all our peoples may see each other as they are holding out the hand of friendship and in their eyes light of peace."

Sir Hartley Shawcross presented to the Committee the original Bevin seven-point plan on the veto which was recently put before the Big Five Foreign Ministers Conference at Waldorf Astoria.

NOT CATCHING FLEAS

Speaking emphatically and occasionally too fast for the translator, Russia's M. Andrei Vyshinsky said: "How can we accept the Australian proposal. It is based on a principle which the Soviet delegation considers unfounded and incorrect. We have not yet heard the Security Council report, and the Australians are asking us to condemn the Security Council in advance. Regarding the Cuban delegate I have every respect for his courage but the Cuban delegate is not only courageous, he is also audacious. If, as he says, a majority of members of the United Nations condemn the veto why is his delegation alone asking for the Conference to revise the Charter? We are not catching fleas, we are dealing with a serious matter."

He said: "I remind Cuba that hastiness is not always the best method of working."

M. Vyshinsky then read the new Soviet draft resolution which ignores the veto altogether and merely suggests at the end:

"The General Assembly expresses confidence that in future the Security Council shall take into account the experience of its work during the preceding period with a view to securing conditions which would be as favourable as possible to the adoption of agreed decisions."

M. Nehrik Kauffman (Denmark) said his delegation was unable to vote for the Australian resolution as no useful purpose would be served by anything in the nature of a vote of censure. "We do not believe in the use of taking vote which looks like a line-up of one group of powers against another group," he said.

Mariana Cuenco (Philippines), immediately following M. Vyshinsky, said: "The Soviet Delegate does not only accept British proposals but at the same time moves a beautiful sonorous motion and also an empty one. If there is some doubt as to whether the Charter be revised or not the speech made by the Soviet representative is the best proof and justification for convening the General Assembly with the purpose of revising the Charter."

The United States Senator Tom Connally said that mainly he supported the Australian resolution but objected to its criticism of what transpired in the past in the Security Council. The demonstrative American Delegate caused cheers when raising his voic he said: "We want peace with every nation" and turning to Sir Hartley Shaweross and extending his arm said: "We want peace with the United Kingdom on my left."

Wheeling in the chair he shot out his right hand and added: "We want peace with the Soviet Union on my right."

M. Vyshinsky with a smile grasped the Senator's hand and then joined in the applause of other delegates.

Tom Conally added: "We must either live in peace together or march down the broad highway that leads to hell."

Denmark's proposal supported by Norway and Poland suggests the setting up of a sub-committee in an attempt to find a basis for reconciling the Soviet and Australian resolutions.

The Danish proposal was adopted by the Committee, Russia voting in favour. The voting was 33 in favour and 8 against including the United States and the United Kingdom.

The Committee then adjourned until tomorrow.

Bombay Corporation

Postponement Of General Elections Urged

City Fathers Complain Disturbed Conditions Will Prove A Handicap To Candidates

BOMBAY, Monday.

Sir Behram N. Karanjia's motion seeking to postpone the municipal general elections by another year in view of the disturbed conditions in the city was passed by a large majority by the Bombay Corporation this evening. The Muslim League party remained neutral when the voting was taken.

The resolution asked the Mayor to intimate to the Government of Bombay that in the opinion of the Corporation it was deemed undesirable to hold the municipality general elections in February 1947 and urge upon them the desirability of amending the Municipal Act so as to postpone the elections by another year. Sir Behram said that the effective propaganda on behalf of the municipal candidates would be invalidated by the difficult conditions prevailing at the present moment. Hindu candidates could not go to Muslim areas for canvassing and vice versa.

Opposing the resolution, Mr. N. C. Bharucha pointed out that the present Corporation was elected as far back as 1939 and they had survived two normal terms. The elections were scheduled to be held in February of 1947. Who could say that the disturbances would be there in February next year? And who could say that there would not be any riots in February 1948? "Was the Meerut Session of the Congress postponed because there were riots? Has not Pandit Nehru stated that even the Constituent Assembly would not be delayed by a day?"

Mr. Dahyabhai V. Pated "Why don't you emulate the courage of Pandit Nehru?

COWARDLY ATTITUDE

Mr. Bharucha proceeded to say that the desire for postponment showed a "cowardly mental attitude" (Ironic cheers). Or was it because the Congress party were afraid to face the electorate after the introduction of the Sales Tax and the increase in the Municipal General Tax? he asked.

Mr. M. N. Talpade, supporting the resolution for postponment said that under the existing conditions safe-conduct could not be guranteed to the voter. They could not have peaceful elections. "But I am not bent upon being blued to this chair where I have sat for eight years. I want to go to the electorate but can I do so?" Mr. Talpade asked amidst all-round cheers.

Saying that he had rushed from Europe and America "just to fight the municipal elections," Mr. Jamnadas Mehta averred that the very postponment of the elections denoted a keen desire on the part of the Corporation to enable the voter to exercise his right of franchise in the proper peaceful atmosphere. The present circumstances could not promise an honest election. In Greece and in France elections had been postponed because of country-wide disorders.

Mr. Bharucha said that Mr. Mehta was quite wrong in saying that Greek and French elections had been postponed at all.

"No one can monopolise political honesty," Mr. S. K. Patil Leader of the Congress Municipal Party, said in a vigorous speech. He described Mr. N. C. Bharucha as the "champion of lost causes."

The Government, Mr. Patil said, were reluctant to hold the municipal elections even when the existing rolls were being compiled. But it was the Congress Party that insisted on the holding of the elections at all costs. Now conditions had become abnormal. Mr. Patil reminded the House that it was Mr. Bharucha who in the year 1942, moved a resolution that municipal elections should not be held at any time during the war and two years after the cessation of hostilities (Laughter). Now he had changed his tactics and talked of championing the cause of democracy. Today the curfew and the bans continued, making normal life difficult. The Bombay Corporation was the only public body in India, except perhaps Delhi that was based on joint electorate. What could not happen if the passion and the excitements of an election compaign were let loose on the members of the warring communities?

"We are on the eve of the Greater Bombay Scheme." Mr. Patil proceeded "By next year we will be living in Greater Bombay. Let us have one election then, embracing the whole area. To insist on elections now will be a suicidal policy."

Sir Behram Karanjia replying to the debate, said that the Congress was not afraid of facing the electorate. They were confident of resounding success. But the present time was not propitious.

The resolution was then put to vote and declared carried.

CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT

Bombay Ministers Promise Govt. Support

BOMBAY, Monday.

"Society must be so reconstructed that every able-bodied man and woman should get work according to his or her capacity, decent livelihood and fullest opportunity to develop his or her personality," observed Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, inaugurating the Provincial Industrial Co-operative Association Ltd., at the Cama Hall this evening.

At the outset, Mr. V. L. Mehta Finance Minister, Bombay Government, pointed out that Government must associate themselves with industrial co-operative enterprises in these days for ideological and practical reasons. Firstly, when we wanted the production of consumers' goods to be speeded up, the Government must take every opportunity to encourage production of such goods without depending on the outside capital and imported machinery. Secondly, there was considerable unemployment in the rural areas, and as soon as the present abnormal conditions disappeared the volume of unemployment would increase. For these practical reasons, Mr. Mehta remarked, the Government had lent their support to the industrial co-operative movement.

Continuing Mr. Mehta observed that we should envisage the future of economic democracy in terms of decentralised production, organised as far as possible on a co-operative basis.

Reviewing the experiments carried out in other countries, Mr. Morarji Desai observed that Soviet Russia had made rapid economic and industrial strides, but it was at the expense of individual's liberty. Commending the "Indusco" experiment during the war in China, Mr. Desai opined that India should organise and develop the rural industries on similar lines.

Sketching in brief the history of the co-operative movement, Mr. Desai said that in past the co-operative movement was stunted due to indifferent attitude of the Government. Now with the whole-hearted support and help of the People's Government, co-operative enterprises would expand.

Mr. Desai added that though the Government would give it their support, co-operative workers should not depend entirely on Government agencies. They should take up the work as "missionaries".

The co-operative movement would give to people training in democracy and inculcate in them the spirit of self-reliance, Mr. Desai concluded.

Leaguers Harass G.M. Sayed

Conspire To Make His Election Campaign Very Difficult

(From Our Correspondent).

The Collector of Dadu District has rejected the dmand of Mr. G. M. Sayed to allow him to take arms while touring his constituency as Section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code is applied there.

Mr. G. M. Syed has approached the Chief Secretary, Government of Sind for asking the Collector to concede his demand, as there is danger to his life.

He has further pointed out that the Government was aware that five persons were targets of attack by the Muslim League,—four of whom were ex-members of the Interim Government who had joined hands with Congress in its formation and the fifth was himself. He has quoted instances in which his party members have been attacked by the Muslim League. In certain cases they have been done to death while neither he nor any of his party have done any thing of that kind.

Pir Illahibux, Minister, has become very nervous in his constituency owing to presence of Mr. G. M. Syed and he has despatched many telegrams to to Muslim League Leaders to come down to Mr. G. M. Syed's constituency to force him to leave his constituency.

A fresh difficulty is created for Mr. Sayed's Party in supply of petrol one of the dealers who happens to be a Muslim Leaguer has supplied his entir-stock on the coupons of Pir Illahibux and other Muslim League candidates and stocks of the other dealers are consumed in the ordinary way.

BOMBAY GOVT. PLANS MAJOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS

POONA, Dec. 1 (API): Two major projects for augmenting considerably irrigated areas in Ahmednagar, Poona and Sholapur districts are likely to be undertaken by the Bombay Government in the first year of its post-war reconstruction plan at a cost of nearly 4.25 crores.

Details for the construction of Vir Dam, about 40 miles from Poona and the Gangapur Dam in the Nasik District have been worked out and the sanction of the Bombay Ministry to start work on these two projects is expected soon. The building of these dams will take about 7 years.

The Vir Dam, a composite dam over a mile in length will have a storage capacity of 9,600 million cubic feet and will cost the Government about two crores. Ninety thousand additional acres of land growing seasonal and perennial crops in Poona and Sholapur Districts will come under irrigation when the construction of the dam is complete.

The Gangapur Dam waters will be used for supplying water to Nasik city besides for irrigating land in the Ahmednagar District into which its tail waters will flow. The dam will have a storage capacity of 5.500 million cubic feet and its cost including the re-modelling of the existing Godavari canals and construction of tail tanks at Chitli will be about 2.25 crores. It will help to increase the irrigated area by about 32,000 acres.

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33. Moga.
34. Montgomery.
35. Multan City.
36. Narowal (Distt. Sialkot)
37. New Delhi.
38. Pasrur (Distt. Sialkot).
39. Peshawar City.
40. Qila Sheikhupura.
41. Quetta.
42. Rawalpindi City.
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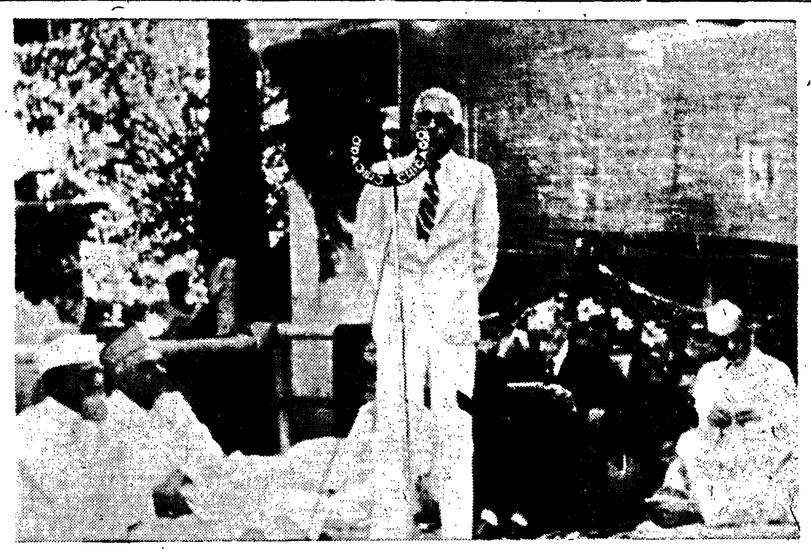

Justice Divatia seen welcoming the guests on the ninth Foundation Day of the Bharatiya Vidya Bhuvan on Saturday. Seated on the stage are (extreme left) Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, Sir Chimanlal Setalwad (in the chair) and Mr. K. M. Munshi (extreme right).

CITY AND SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Magsar Shud 9, 2003
Muslim: Moharram 8, 1366
Parsi: Tir 1, 1316
Sunrise: 6-57 a.m., Sunset: 6-1 p.m.
Hightide: 06-14, 19-15
Lowtide: 13-24
Improvements Committee: 3 p.m. (B.T.).

To-day's Engagements

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING. The Municipal Secretary announces: A Special Meeting of the Standing Committee will be held to-day (Tuesday), after the Weekly Meeting of the Committee called for that day for the further consideration of the Budget Estimates for the year 1947-48.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Prof. P. A. Wadia will speak on "Constituent Assembly" at 4-15 p.m. to-day at the Y.W.C.A. Hall, (Mayo Road, opposite C. J. Hall). Mrs. Gulestan R. Billimoria will preside.

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: Prof. V. N. Bhushan, will deliver a lecture on Indo-British Literature at the Bhavan at 4-30 p.m. to-day.

FAREWELL RECEPTION TO ARTIST TRIVIKRAM: Prior to his leaving for America friends and admirers of Artist Dr. Trivikram is giving a Farewell Reception to him to-day (Tuesday) at 5-30 p.m. at Mazdaznan, Alexandra Girls' School Hall, Waudby Road.

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY: The University Registrar writes: Owing to unavoidable circumstances the results of the First and Second M.B.,B.S. Examinations which are due to be declared to-day (Tuesday), have been postponed. The date of the declaration of the results will be announced later.

INTER-UNIVERSITY CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP: Selection Trials for selection of the Bombay University Cricket Team will be held on the Elphinstone College Ground to-day (Tuesday) and to-morrow (Wednesday) from 3 p.m. onwards each day. Bombay meets Mysore in the first round of the Intervarsity Cricket Tournament on the 7th, 8th and 9th December.

MAHIM FAIR POSTPONED: Owing to disturbed conditions in the city the Mahim Fair has been postponed

BHARDA NEW HIGH SCHOOL: The Principal of the Bharda New High School inform all Old Boys of the School that a Variety Show in connection with the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the Scout Troop will come off on Sunday, December 15, at the Capitol Theatre at 9-30 a.m.

Jai Prakash To Inaugurate Students' Congress

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain will inaugurate a four-day session of the tenth All-India Students' Congress to be held at Lahore from December 27, according to an announcement by Pandit Ram Sumer Shukla, President of the Students' Congress.

The preparatory conference of the Asiatic Students' Congress will also be held at Lahore simultaneously with the session of the Students' Congress.

There will be two conventions, one of girl students and the other of States students during the session.

Parsee Art Circle

Under the auspices of the Parsee Art Circle Erwad Khurshed Debu M.A., F.T.H., will give a talk on "Is religion an obstacle to modern civilisation" at Alexandra Girl's High School at Waudby Road on Saturday (December 7) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) A variety entertainment will follow this lecture.

Patil To Tour Ratnagiri District

RATNAGIRI, Dec. 1 (API): It is learnt Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise and Reconstruction has programmed to tour the Ratnagiri District commencing from the 4th instant. The Municipalities of Khed, Chiplun, Ratnagiri, and Vengurla as well as the District Board of Ratnagiri have decided to present addresses to the Minister.

It is understood a district conference will be held at the Collector's Office on the 5th and 6th instant when the reconstruction schemes will be discussed.

MR. TAPASE TO VISIT FISHING CENTRES

KARWAR, Dec. 2 (API): Mr. G. D. Tapase, Minister for Fisheries, Industries and Backward Classes, Government of Bombay, is coming to Karwar on December 11, on a two-day tour of the district to visit the fishing centres and fisheries schools.

Munshi's "At Home" To Sardar

A pleasant function came off in the compound of Mr. K. M. Munshi's bungalow at Ridge Road on Monday evening, when Mr. and Mrs. Munshi were "at home" to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. A large and distinguished gathering representing various shades of city's cosmopolitan life was present on the occasion. It included Sir Chimanlal Setalvad Dr. M. R. Jaykar, Sir H. P. Mody, Dr. M. I. Rawji Mayor of Bombay Lady Rama Rao, Sir Ructom Masani Sir Leonard Stone, Chief Justice of Bombay, Justice Lokur Mr. B. G. Kher Prime Minister, Bombay, and others.

Sardar Pated was introduced to the guests by Mr. Munshi, The Sardar chatted with the guests for some time.

SARDAR'S ADDRESS AT JINNAH HALL

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee write:—A meeting of the Congress workers in the City of Bombay will be held on Thursday, (5th Dec.) at 4 p.m. (S.T.), (and not at 5 p.m. as previously announced), at People's Jinnah Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel will speak on "The present political situation and duty of Congressmen".

SARDAR TO ADDRESS WORKERS

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel will address a meeting of the representatives and labour workers of the associate unions of the Hindustan Mazdoor Sevak Sangh to-day (Tuesday), at 5-30 p.m. at Mazdoor Manzil, 25 Government Gate Road, Parel.

American Educationist On "Understanding Children"

Miss Mary Sweeney who has come to India under the auspices of the U. S. Department of State, and at present a visiting professor at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, is delivering a series of public lectures on the subject of 'Understanding Our Children' in different social and educational organisations in the city.

The first lecture of the series was delivered at the St. Xavier High School Hall on Monday afternoon when Miss Sweeney spoke on 'What Trouble Parents Most About Their Children.' The first five years of the child's age were very important she said and the mother being the proper person who could understand the child's psychology, should pay greater attention to his welfare during this period. The child should be properly and wisely handed and immediately on getting out of this period attention should be paid to his education.

Lady Rama Rau, who presided, said that the subject was a neglected one in this country. India was soon to attain her freedom and this was the proper time when parents should pay greater attention to children's education to make them perfect citizens of the future.

RUIKAR TO MEET STUDENTS

Mr. R. S. Ruikar will address the students of the city, under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Students' Congress, to-day (Tuesday) at 5-30 p.m. at the office of the Students Congress.

SIR C. V. RAMAN

SANGLI, Dec. 2 (API): Sir C. V. Raman has agreed to be the guest of honour at the opening ceremony of new laboratory in the Willingdon College at Sangli on 21st inst.

H. H. the Rajasaheb of Sangli will preside over the function at the annual social gathering of the College.

TODAY ON RADIO

TUESDAY, Dec. 3.

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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Song of Week 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 P. B. Dev Burman (Sitar) 8-45 Malati Pande 9-0 V. T. Parvatey (Vocal) 12-0 p.m. Topical entertainment (G) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Selections 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Music 4-20 School Broadcast 5-0 P. B. Dev Burman (Sitar) 5-15 Mohan Karve 5-45 Jaltarang Solo 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Classical Fare 6-30 Dilipkumar Dholakia 6-45 Malati Pande 7-0 Matam-I-Husain (H) 7-30 Anjanibai Lolekar (Vocal) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 "Yasmin" Play in Gujarati by Perin Mirza 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 Radio Forum 10-0 Homi Kanga: Violin (Sonata "Devil's Trill") 10-15 George Lester: Violincello 10-30 Interlude 10-35 Hilde Feldberg (Soprano) 10-45 Harold Bauer Piano forte).

Detenu To Be Produced In Court

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Lokur)

Navnitlal Hiralal Gandhi. .. Petitioner.
vs.
1. Imperator.
2. The District Magistrate, Ahmedabad. .... Opponents.

Their Lordships admitted a "habeas corpus" application by the petitioner in respect of his brother Chandulal Hiralal Gandhi who is being detained in the Ahmedabad Central Prison under Sec. 46B (3) of the Bombay District Police Act on the ground that his movements were calculated to cause danger and alarm and that designs calculated to disturb public peace were entertained by him. The petitioner contended that his brother's detention was wholly illegal on the ground that the order of detention against him was passed before the proclamation of emergency was made by the Provincial Government about the end of October 1946.

Their Lordships admitted the application and ordered that the detenu be produced in the High Court on Friday when the application would be heard.

Mr. Purshottam Tricamdas and Mr. B. G. Thakore appeared for the petitioner.

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WEATHER CHART

POONA, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st Nov. 1946, and departure from the normal recoded a 8 hours (I. S.), on 2/12/46 :—

Allahabad 88 61 0 1.1 plus 0.8, Baroda 92 60 0 1.0 plus 0.2, BOMBAY 91 73 0 6.5 plus 5.9 Calcutta 34 64 0 1.7 plus 0.9, Cawnpore 82 58 0 0.2 minus 0.2, Delhi 75 44 0 0 minus 0.1, Hyderabad (Dn.) 86 63 0 2.5 plus 1.4, Indore 81 61 0 8.6 plus 7.9, Jacobabad 73 38 0 0 minus 0.1 Karachi 76 55 0 0 minus 0.1 Mysore 76 67 0 7.6 plus 4.7 Nagpur 86 63 0 6.4 plus 5.6 Patna ni, Pvshawar 73 38 0 0.3 0, Surat 92 66 0 7.5 plus 7.2, Trichinopoly 79 73 T 11.5 plus 5.4.

Monsoon Strong In S. Bay Of Bengal

POONA, Dec. 2, (A. P. I.): The following is daily weather summary for Monday, (2nd inst.):—

North-East monsoon is strong in the South Bay of Bengal. Rainfall has been widespread in South-East Madras. Rain has fallen locally in Malabar, while isolated light thundershowers have occurred in west Central India.

Forecast until the 3rd evening :— Rainfall will be widespread in South East Madras, South Mysore and Malabar. Isolated light showers are also likely in Central India, and the East United Provinces. Night temperatures will fall in Gujarat and continue below normal in North-West India.

HEAVY RAINS IN MADRAS

5.35 Inches Recorded In 24 Hours

MADRAS, Dec. 1 (A.P.I.): Madras is experiencing monsoonish weather with continuous heavy rains since last night. Upto 4 p.m. to-day 5.35 inches of rain has been recorded for the past 24 hours. The low-lying areas in the city particularly in Chintadripet, and Mamballam have been flooded.

Six persons including two women and a child were injured when the roof of a house collapsed this morning in George Town.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Our anger and impatience often prove much more mischievous than the things about which we are angry or impatient.

—Marcus Aurelius

The Bombay Chronicle

MUSIC AND NATIONAL GOVT.

In a broadcast talk following the assumption of the charge of his office as Member, Information and Broadcasting, in 1943 Sir Sultan Ahmed said: "You tune in to our programmes. We shall tune in to your complaints. Tell us of our defects as you see them. If there is a remedy we shall find it." The assurance conveyed by him is still awaiting fulfilment especially as regards the classical music of the Hindustani school broadcast by the All-India Radio. Criticism against the music policy of the broadcasting department has grown in volume and in bitterness, but the department has, in a typically bureaucratic manner, continued to be irresponsive to it. Now with a popular Government at the Centre, we hope that the officials in charge of music will learn the lessons of tuning in to the criticism against their policy.

We regret to note that the All-India Radio has, so far, failed to give to classical music the prominence to which it is entitled. Classical music is generally made to take rank with light varieties and film songs and has even to yield ground to them. The time limit of 15 to 20 minutes or a little more is too short for the thorough rendering of classical tunes. Having been applicable alike to the classical and light varieties, it does not help the uninformed listener to distinguish even between the front-rank exponents and half-baked amateurs or light singers. Again, classical music lacks in variety and richness because it preponderantly belongs to one type—the khyal school. Why are other schools neglected by the Radio? The old and beautiful Dhruvapad and Dhamar styles of singing have a limited circle of exponents and patrons—a fact which is not unknown to the radio-authorities. We are in a position to support this statement with an extract from the "Indian Listener" of 22-9-1944 which reads: "Alap and Dhurpad, the oldest and most difficult forms of Indian music are fast decaying and have now only a few exponents in India" but in spite of that the department, as far as we know, has taken no steps to rescue "the oldest and most difficult forms" from the impending danger of extinction.

Money is lavishly spent on radio-music, but it does not bring to the listeners classical music in improved quality and increasing quantity. Frankly speaking, the radio has, hitherto, popularised light varieties and film songs in preference to the classical music and has persistently neglected its oldest and most difficult forms. "What the people want" is the stock argument adduced by the authorities in support of their music policy, but it is obviously based upon absurd logic. The All India Radio is neither a private enterprise nor a commercial concern. It is a department of the State having definite obligations to the community; and as such its function should be to create the interest of the listeners in the higher type of music and not merely to cater for the popular taste.

Since music is served in rationed quantities and different varieties, a larger number of artistes is required to make up a single day's programme. Music directors have their own preferences and prejudices and their own ways of selection; and they not infrequently pick up in their search for "hidden talent" half-trained amateurs in the classical category. Their 'finds' and discoveries have been boosted and front-paged in the "Indian Listener" to such a ludicrous extent that many wonder whether there is any standard of selection at all. In view of the existing state of affairs we feel that the need of the revision of the music policy is urgent. Classical music should be broadcast at a higher percentage. Its programmes should be balanced programmes should be balanced by the representation of all the classical schools. They should be less numerous for the day and should be longer in duration and should include individual concerts of at least one hour's duration by well known exponents on fixed days. In this connection we would higher commend the example of Trichi and Madras radio authorities who give 75 minutes to major classical artistes. Items of rare and difficult instruments should find a place in the music programmes. Light varieties and film songs should be cut down to the minimum. The saving in expenditure, thus effected, should be diverted to better purposes. The authorities should offer liberal terms to the musicians. They should aim at bringing the best talent to the mike and at providing better music to the listeners.

The broadcasting department should also begin now to build up a music library and to record the right type of music. In this age of recording music should not die with the musicians. Attempts should also be made for the collection and preservation of the wealth of high music left by the mediaeval master-composers like Haridus, Tansen, Soordas etc. The All India Radio should have on its permanent staff experts in difficult instruments and at least one Dhruvapad and Dhamar singer of note and should send them round its various stations at regular intervals. We trust Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Member in Charge of Information and Broadcasting, will not fail to treat classical music as one of the priority questions. He may well convene a conference of experts of all the schools and revise the AIR's music policy in consultation with them. At the same he should ask the department to set up an efficient machinery at every station to supervise programmes and to attend to the complaints of musicians and listeners. Classical music today demands, not merely a care-takers' treatment, but a new deal from a National Government.

Frankly Speaking

Sound Advice

The people of Bombay have suffered so much, morally and materially, as a result of the communal disturbances that they will, we trust, lay to heart Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's earnest appeal to them to end the strife and to be peaceful at least for the next fifteen days. The reason why he has specified this period is evidently that very delicate talks on India's future constitution will be carried on in London during the next few days, and the enemies of India should not have an occasion now to exploit our differences. Again, on the 9th instant will be inaugurated the Constituent Assembly, where the people themselves will decide their future destinies. Such a solemn occasion should not be marred by strife amongst ourselves, though as Sardar Vallabhbhai observed, no disturbances would be allowed to delay the work of the Assembly. The Sardar has also done well to warn all concerned that, if trouble breaks out again, Government will discover the culprits and deal with them firmly. Government's task would be rendered easier, he added, if the people, instead of depending solely and helplessly on the police, helped themselves a little by training themselves for self-defence and organising peace and defence committees He made it clear, too, that an assailant must not be encouraged by cowardice but must be resisted, non-violently wherever possible, but with force if non-violent resistance is not possible. There is noth.ng wrong in this. It is sound common sense and very effective too. Gandhiji himself has repeatedly remarked that cowardice is worse than violence and often enough a coward tempts the bully.

France And Indo-China

The bona fides of Imperialist France have been fully confessed in comments on Indio-China by "conservative" and "moderate" papers of Paris. The comments also present an explanatory back-ground to the recent decision of the Bidault Government to exercise "firmness". They all, of course, blame Viet Nam Government. But the papers themselves exonerate the Viet Nam; indeed, even more than exonerate it. For, one declares quite frankly: "Once Indo-China is lost the whole empire (sic) is lost. The future of France as a world power is at stake in Indo-China." Another echoes with equal frankness: "There should be no thought of abandoning our positions in Indo-China. This is a question not only of the future of Indo-China but the destiny of our country." In this revealing context the meaning of Admiral D'Argenlieu's emphatic announcement "we will not retreat, we renounce nothing more" is clear. France must retain an Imperial hold on Indo-China for the sake of a French "Empire" and Indo-China must be subservient to France lest Imperial France may cease to be a "world power". And this is what the Bidault Government has decided on "firmness" for, M. Leon Blum's Socialists are reported to be against the Imperialist objective and policy of the French Government. But it is noteworthy that their representative or representatives in the Cabinet Committee on Indo-China supported the instructions to Admiral D'Argenlieu. Let us, however, hope that they have revised their earlier policy and that a Communist-Socialist Coalition Government will render justice to Indo-China.

Syed Reza Ali's Comment

Syed Reza Ali, a former High Commissioner for India in South Africa, warns India against being overjoyed at the acceptance by the U.N. Political and Legal Committees of the Franco-Mexican compromise resolution. We, of course, agree with him. And we are also glad that he has endorsed Mrs. Pandit's tribute to the countries who voted against South-Africa. Particularly effective is his exposure of Great Britain and the United States, who voted for South Africa. But even more effective was Syed Reza Ali's reply in an earlier statement to South African sneers at Hindu-Muslim troubles in India, which all makes us deplore the more deeply the unfortunate and narrow-minded decision of the Muslim League not to allow Syed Reza Ali to join the Indian Delegation to U.N.O.

Right Rejection

The U.N.O. Trusteeship Committee has rightly rejected the demand of the Government of South Africa to incorporate—in blunt language, annex—the Mandated Territory of South West Africa. But the Committee's resolution does not go far, based as the decision is on the ground that the data so far supplied does not justify approval by U.N.O. of incorporation. The territory and people of South-West Africa have been rescued from an imminent doom; but has their future been safeguarded? The resolution leaves all dangerous possibilities open. The fact that the rejection of the South African demand is based only on insufficiency of data implies that the Committee accepts or at least is not opposed to the principle of incorporation of a mandated territory into the mandatory country. This is a violation of the fundamental object and spirit of Trusteeship. The main obligation of the Mandates System which has been taken over with some improvement by U.N.O.—its very *raison d'etre*—is to prepare the people under Mandate or Trusteeship for independence. Only when they are free can they exercise self-determination. Independence must come first, then self determination. Or, at least simultaneously, that is to say, when the time comes for the people to be asked to decide independence and incorporation as the next immediate step.

A Duty Shirked

In the meantime, the territory must be administered in the interests, economic, social and also political, exclusively of the people. The position today, however, is that the Government of South Africa can and does govern as it likes which is in the interest primarily of the Union of South Africa. The resolution leaves the authority of the South African Government unfettered. Indeed, in the absence of any permanent and compulsory Trusteeship organisation like the proposed Council, the "Mandatory" is free from all obligations, and, as Mr. Hofmeyer—the "liberal" vice-Premier—has himself declared it is not bound to submit any report to U.N.O. except by way of voluntary courtesy and only occasionally. The basic necessity arising out of U.N.O.'s obligation to "backward" peoples is not only Trusteeship but also effective supervision by a higher authority of the work of the Trustee. U.N.O. has so far shirked both.

Team-Work At Lake Success

By D. F. KARAKA

More important than all the things happening in India put together, more significant than the dramatic dash of Wavell, Nehru and Jinnah to London, is the vote registered at Lake Success on the India-South Africa issue which has been fought in the Joint-United-Nations Political and Legal Committee.

On the surface it would appear that the adoption of the French-Mexican proposal, requesting the Governments concerned to report on the dispute at the next session of the General Assembly, is only a postponement of the United Nations verdict on this bitter fight between two of the countries of the world.

But it is more than that. As the Chairman, M. Dmitri Manuilsky, put it, it was a fight on the principle which was involved therein. It was a verdict on fundamental principles and the fact has been established that unlike the League of Nations at Geneva, the majority of the U. N. O. mean to stand by the Charter on which it was founded.

The principle laid down by this vote is that the U. N. O. is prepared to go beyond legal aspects of disputes into aspects which are predominantly political. In other words, the substance of a dispute has been upheld as being more important than the form.

It has been heartening to see how well the team of Mrs. Pandit and Mr. Justice Chagla has worked. While Mrs. Pandit was the leader of the Indian Delegation, she often stepped aside to let Mr. Justice Chagla lead the discussion when this was necessary in the interest of the Indian cause. Mr. Chagla's performance at Lake Success must rank as one of the most brilliant performances that India has put up at any international meeting. His modesty should be an example to many Indians and has endeared him to the majority of those at the U. N. O.

An analysis of the vote showed that the countries which stood by India have all imbibed the new spirit in which the U. N. O. was said to have been formed. The most important names among those in favour of the French-Mexican proposal are China, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, Iran, Iraq, Mexico, The Phillipines, Poland, Saudi Arabia, Yugoslavia and the solid Russian block. It was heartening to see this alignment of progressive world forces which had the guts to vote as they did.

Against the French-Mexican proposal were the Old Guard of Imperialism, the remnants of decaying monarchies, the British Commonwealth and regrettably the United States.

It was obviously quite an embarrassing situation in which Britain found itself. It had to side with one of two opposing members of the Commonwealth. From Britain's point of view, India was almost lost to the Commonwealth, while South Africa was still loyal to the Empire. South Africa is to be the base for the British fleet, now that Egypt and Alexandria are no longer so friendly. Sir Hartley Shawcross's vote, is, therefore, a vote in terms of British interest and for the survival of what little is left of Britain's prestige as a world power. Sir Hartley Shawcross did not vote on the principle but on political values. Quite openly he had said that if U. N. O. started interfering on matters such as these, it would sooner or later have to take a decision on the White-American versus Negro-dispute which would one day also come to the U. N. O.

This explains the attitude of the United States on the India-South Africa dispute. With what is happening in America today, the United States could not possibly support India against South Africa. This is as clear as daylight and any amount of explanations made by the U. S. spokesman cannot alter it.

The Russian vote was unmistakable and whatever may be one's political differences with Russia and its political creeds, the fact remains that alone in the Big Three it voted on the merits of the case and with the "principle" as its sole guide in registering the vote. We are grateful to Russia not only because we are Indians and we are involved in this case, but we are grateful to that country for being clear and consistent on a matter of world importance. However right or wrong the Russian Delegation may have been on other points, the vote the Russians registered on this occasion showed that Russia did not mind being on the losing side (which they were not) against two of the Big Three. Gradually but surely world opinion is bound to turn towards Russia.

The hand-shake of Mrs. Pandit and Field Marshal Smuts was also heartening for the world to watch. The Field Marshal took his defeat like an old soldier, sure that he would live to fight another day.

Mrs. Pandit was at her best when she gracefully withdrew the Indian Resolution in favour of the French-Mexican proposal. She said, "In view of the fact that we are not here in any vindictive spirit, that our sole object is to create conditions in the world by which not only peace might prevail, but also that the United Nations can function and reach their achievements, we do not wish to place in the way of this Committee any difficulties in the matter of voting."

It was this brilliant tactical move on the part of the Indian Delegation that made it possible for the French-Mexican Resolution to be carried, which declared that the General Assembly is of the opinion that "the treatment of Indians in the Union should be in conformity with international obligations under the agreements concluded between the two Governments and the relevant provisions of the Charter."

Mr. Justice Chagla then made the important point, namely, "The committee will realize that General Smuts has made no concession whatsoever because he does not concede the very point we are fighting for, namely, that this Assembly is quite competent to decide this important matter."

Fighting in this spirit of team work, India has registered one of her greatest international victories. Whether in sport, as when our Cricket XI went to England recently, or in international politics as at Lake Success, it has been driven home to us that united as a nation we will stand on our own feet in this world and that the majority of the world will back us. The tragedy is that many of us are unwilling to learn this lesson.

PRESENT INDIAN POLITICAL SITUATION

(BY "DIOGENES")

As pointed out by Acharya Kripalani in his presidential address to the Meerut Congress, it is the Congress movement in 1942 that has brought the country to the present stage of political progress. But complete independence is still to be won. The question is whether it will be won without any more struggle. If it cannot be won without more struggle when is that struggle to come? Is it to come immediately?

The British Labour Government seems to have sent out a Cabinet Mission to come to an understanding with India and the Indian National Congress in particular.

Fear Of Congress Rejection

The British Cabinet Mission proposed a Constituent Assembly and an Interim Government. It made the Interim Plan conditional on the acceptance of the Constituent Assembly plan. Why did it do so? It feared that the Congress would reject both the plans and would go into direct action, although it desired Congress not to do so.

The Congress wanted to reach its goal without, if possible, having recourse to direct action. It thought that the Constituent Assembly was worth giving a trial. So it accepted that plan and rejected the Interim Plan. Since the arrival of the Mission Gandhiji had been saying that the British Government was sincere in its present effort. But when he saw that it would not modify the Interim Plan so as to include a nationalist or Congress Muslim in the Interim Government, he began to suspect the sincerity of the Mission. He put it to test by proposing to reject both the plans. The test showed that the British Government did not want the Congress to resort to direct action and that it was prepared to modify the Interim plan. The Congress, however, did not insist upon the modification of the Interim plan. It simply rejected it.

It was possible at this stage for the British Government to take the Muslim League and other willing participators in the Interim Government and keep the Congress out. Why did the British Government not do so? It feared that Congress acceptance of the Constituent Assembly alone would not keep Congress out of direct action. The leftist elements in the Congress would hustle it into direct action. So it modified the Interim plan and brought the Congress into the Government. The League had accepted the plans to make it possible for the British Government to form the Interim Government, even without the Congress.

Why did the League not reverse its acceptance immediately on the British Government refusing to form the Interim Government without the Congress? It was because the A.I.C.C. was still to ratify the Congress Working Committee's decision. If A.I.C.C. had refused to ratify it, it would have been necessary for the British Government to summon the League to form the Interim Government. That was why the door was left open until after the A.I.C.C. ratification.

Why The League Rejected

Why did the League reverse its acceptance? Was it because it did not want the Interim Government plan to be modified? No. If that were so, the League would not now have entered the modified Interim Government as it has done! Contrary to popular supposition, it was to make the modification possible that the League rejected the plans. Without this rejection it would have been difficult for the British Government to modify the plan.

Why did the League not sit quiet with rejection? Why did it go in for direct action? Was it to use it as threat for re-entry? No. The reason was that the Viceroy had invited the League to join the Interim Government only after the A.I.C.C. ratification and before the League rejection, i.e., on 22nd July. Perhaps without League rejection Congress might not have consented to join. But there is another possibility also.

It is possible that the League really envisaged only peaceful direct action. If British Government did not want Congress to go into direct action it might want League to do so. What for? For dropping the Constituent Assembly and going straight to an Indo-British Treaty. In his interview to Mr. Ralph Izzard of the British 'Daily Mail' Mr. Jinnah said that he was prepared to go to jail if the British Government wanted to put him in. He said that he did not want to go to England to plead for Pakistan after what the Viceroy had done to plead his case. But if he was invited he would go to England. He would want the whole issue considered afresh! The negotiations of the last summer had led to bitterness and misery. The slate ought to be wiped clean. If the British Government withdrew its interest in administration in India and withdrew its troops—and it ought to do that—the Indians would sort out things for themselves. This clearly meant that Mr. Jinnah was angling for the drawing up of an Indo-British Treaty. If that was to happen the Constituent Assembly had to be dropped. League's rejection of the same would be good excuse to do so. Mr. Jinnah had also said that if he were invited to England he would allow the Interim Government to continue.

British Government Unmoved

The British Government did not put Mr. Jinnah into prison, nor did it invite him to England. It did not want League's direct action, nor wanted to drop the Constituent Assembly. Mr. Jinnah saw that Muslim direct action meant riots. He did not want them. To the Globe correspondent he had said that non-inclusion of League in Interim Government caused the riots. He put the Leaguers into Interim Government, which is intended to stop riots. This also turned the League away from direct action.

Revival Of Pakistan Slogan

For Mr. Jinnah Pakistan is a slogan. He devised it in 1940 when he saw that Congress would go into direct action. Pakistan is intended to keep Muslims out of direct action. It has been also used to reject British proposals unacceptable to Congress. Mr. Jinnah might now have revived Pakistan in his interview to foreign press because he anticipates Congress direct action and wants to keep Muslims out of it.

When Leaguers are in the Interim Government why should Mr. Jinnah persist in the boycott of the Constituent Assembly? The reason seems to be that if the boycott is persisted in it would lead to a demand being made for the withdrawal of the League's nominees from the Interim Government. If and when that happens the League would be confronted with the necessity for either accepting the Constituent Assembly or leaving the Interim Government and in that case the League is likely to accept the Constituent Assembly rather than leave the Interim Government. And perhaps Mr. Jinnah might also have waited for the ratification by the plenary session of the Congress of the decision of the Congress Working Committee to work the Constituent Assembly.

Rangoon Dockers' "Lie-Down Strike"

Sequel To Port Commissioner's Refusal To Grant Their Demands

RANGOON, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): One thousand and five hundred dock-yard labourers of Rangoon Port Trust staged a "lie-down strike" at Government Secretariat today as a protest against the Port Commissioner's refusal to grant their demands for increased wages and cost of living allowances.

Since early morning scores of pickeers lay sprawled at all gates of the Secretariat compound while their comrades lined up all around the premises preventing passage of cars and denying admission to officers and staff with the result that Government offices remained virtually empty.

It is understood that the strike was organised by the Trade Union Congress of the Burmese Socialist Party of which Thakin Mya, Member for Home and Judicial Affairs in the Governor's Executive Council is the leader.

The workers, it is reported, submitted their demands to the Port Commissioner about two months ago, but their lie-down strike today came as a surprise to the authorities. Strict police vigilance was maintained and there have been no disorders upto this afternoon.

CHIANG'S TROOPS ENTER DAIREN

Reds Mass Five And Half Lakh Troops In Manchuria

NANKING, Dec. 2, (A.P.A.): The Government's Central News Agency said to-day that Chinese Communists had massed 552,000 troops in Manchuria and had moved their military and political headquarters from treatened Harbin to Kiamutze, 180 miles to the north-east.

Military sources said that Government leaders were alert to the movements but that "we will not fire the first shots."

Chinese Press reports from Peiping accused the Communists of stripping the industrial section of Dairen and transporting the machinery across the Yellow Sea to the Shantung Peninsula in North China. Totally unconfirmed reports said that 12 iron-works and several heavy industrial plants were thus carried off.

The Nanking newspaper, "Ta Kung Pao," reported in a Peiping dispatch that Government forces were within 12 miles of Dairen and that one advance column had already entered the Soviet-Occupied port.

General Tu Li Ming's troops were last reported within 40 miles of Dairen where, they said, they were negotiating for Soviet withdrawal.

MRS. PANDIT'S APPEAL TO GREAT POWERS

Give "Elder-Brotherly Help" To Backward Nations

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (A.P.A). Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, leader of the Indian Delegation to the United Nations General Assembly meeting in New York, called on the Great Powers last night to give "elder brotherly help—not benevolent dictatorship" to backward nations, in the manner envisaged by the United Nations charter.

She told a meeting sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People, held in a Harlem ball-room that there was no civilisation that could not keep up with the rest of the world "provided the opportunity was not denied it."

"That opportunity does not come through one of the nations being tied to the apron-strings of another," Mrs. Pandit added.

Referring to the debate in the United Nations Assembly over the incorporation of South West Africa into the Union of South Africa, Mrs. Pandit said there was irony in the fact that the South African Premier, Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts, was the author of the preamble to the United Nations Charter.

"Never before in the history of the human race has there been so much suspicion and hatred as exists today," declared Mrs. Pandit, adding that this was so because the "people of the world have not made themselves heard."

VYSHINSKY TO ANSWER BRITISH CHARGES

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 2, (Reuter). The Russian delegate, M. Andrei Vyshinsky is expected to reply to the British criticism of Soviet Foreign Minister M. Molotov's disarmament proposal, which Sir Hartley Shawcross described as a "a fraud, a delusion and a snare," when the disarmament debate is resumed in the United Nations Political Committee today.

Both Russia and the United States still have the final word to say on disarmament before vote is taken. Observers expect the issue to be referred to a sub-committee in the hope of finding a common ground between the numerous resolutions presented.

Meanwhile, some light is expected to be shed on the long debated question as to where the United Nations will make a permanent home. The Sub-committee which made a high speed tour of Pennsylvania San Francisco, Boston and New York is presenting a report to the Headquarters Committee today. At present Pennsylvania and San Francisco are evenly favoured.

Threat Of Famine In Albania

BELGRADE, Dec. 2. (Reuter): Reports from Tirana, the capital of Albania, to-day said that Albania will be threatened with a famine this winter owing to large scale floods which have destroyed more than 60 per cent of all farmland and caused more than 1,000,000 sterling damage.

The reports added that flooding had interferred with all Autumn sowing and ruined large stocks of maize. The land is so thoroughly inundated that there will be no sowing till the next spring.

The situation is regarded as particularly serious as this year's harvest has been far below the normal.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

THE HAGUE, Dec. 1

Former Ministers and military and naval commanders have signed a protest against the draft agreement signed on November 15 by representatives of the Netherlands Government laying down the future status of Indonesia to the Netherlands.

The protest says that the agreement means dissolution of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. If the Netherlands accepted the agreement, she would forsake her vocation and her obligation especially as regards the Netherlands Indies, it adds—Reuter.

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Mr. P. N. Rajbhoj complains that "the British Government has committed a grave error in not inviting Scheduled Caste representatives, such as Dr. Ambedkar or Mr. Shivraj to the London Conference".

Hullo! Aren't they satisfied with the personnel?

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"We must not arouse the enthusiasm of the people by putting before them something which in practice will turn out to be bogus."—Britain's Attorney General Sir Hartley Shawcross.

No clarification or assurances need be called for as to what Sir Hartley meant or insinuated at. He was speaking at a UNO committee specifically and strictly on a particular disarmament plan and the veto (the Big Power Veto).

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The Paris conservative paper "Figaro" is militantly concerned about the situation in Indo-China and urges: "If we show weakness we will suffer the consequences. Once Indo-China is lost the whole empire is lost".

We feel like saying "Amen".

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The paper adds the grave warning that "the future of France as a world power is at stake in Indo-China".

So that's how a power becomes a world power. Shades of the French Political Philosophers!

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The New York State is reported to be establishing a "War Disaster Military Corps" for defence against atomic warfare.

We must admit that the coming (or rather the going) of the atom has simplified the problems of humanity by reducing the entire organisation of the world into three sections: (1) Atom War Corps, (2) War Disaster Military Corps and (3) World Cemetry Corps.

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According to a Press report, the communist Premier of Czechoslovakia declared recently: "Experience and the classical Marxist-Leninist teaching show that the dictatorship of the proletariat and the setting up of Soviets is not the only way leading to Socialism".

Good heavens! What's that?

WORKERS' ROLE IN CHECKING STRIFE

Govt. Urged To Remove Ban On Civil And Trade Union Liberties

NEW DELHI, Dec. 2 (A.P.I.): The General Council of the All-India Trade Union Congress, which has concluded its three-day session here under the presidentship of Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bose, passed resolutions demanding social and health insurance schemes, and expressing concern at the communal riots in the country and condemning firings on S. I. Railway and other workers.

The Council expressed opposition to the recent bills passed in the Assembly and provincial legislatures regarding settlement of industrial disputes. In the opinion of the Council these bills embodied the principle of compulsory arbitration which it did not accept. The Council insisted that before taking up measures restricting workers' right to strike, the Government should go to the root cause of industrial discontent and remove it by immediately introducing schemes of social security such as minimum living wage, unemployment benefit, old age pensions, better housing facilities etc., The Council warned that if the Provincial Governments passed legislations regarding disputes without amending them in the light of criticism made by the Council, they would not be acceptable to the Trade Unions in the country.

On the communal situation in the country, the Council asked the workers not only to desist from participating in the riots, but play their full part in stopping them.

The Council urged upon provincial governments to remove all restrictions on Civil and Trade Union Liberties so that the workers who belonged to both the communities should be able to stop the riots by united effort.

The council demanded that the State Insurance Bill of the Government of India should be amended so as to include provisions against unemployment, old age, etc.

Out of 244 new applications from different Unions for affiliation to the A.I.T.U.C., the Council granted 175.

Niemoeller Leaves For American Lecture Tour

SHANNON, Eire, Dec. 2. (U.P.A.): Pastor Martin Niemoeller, Germany's famous anti-Nazi Churchman left today by plane for a two month lecture tour of the United States. He is the first representative of post-war Germany to speak to the American public. He was invited by the World Council of Churches. He and his wife arrived here to-day from Berlin.

New League Daily To Work For Communal Unity In Bengal

Ex-Premier On Need To Read Other Man's Views: Calcutta To Have Two More Newspapers

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2. (A.P.I.): Two new Bengali daily newspapers, the "Ittehad", a Muslim League paper and the other the "Swaraj", a nationalist paper—were inaugurated here to-day.

Khwaja Nazimuddin, former Premier, declaring open the offices of the "Ittehad"—of whose board of directors the Chief Minister, Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, is the chairman—said he welcomed Mr. Suhrawardy's declaration that the paper, consolidating and uniting the Muslims of Bengal, would at the same time work for harmony and unity among all peoples of the province. Mr. Nazimuddin said: "From my experience, my Hindu friends and other non-Muslims are genuinely and unconsciously ignorant of the Muslim point of view because they do not read Muslim papers. I think there would be better understanding between the communities if Hindus read Muslim papers and the Muslims read Hindu papers. Formerly, when Muslim papers were so scarce, Muslim young men saw only one side of things. But when Muslim papers came on the scene, their views changed. There was scope for many more Muslim papers".

Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy speaking, earlier, had said that the "Ittehad" would work for the consolidation and unity of the Mussalmans of Bengal and at the same time promote harmony among all classes of the population so that they might join together for the development of the province.

Sir B. P. Singh Roy, President of the Bengal Legislative Council and Mr. W. C. Wordsworth, acting Editor of the "Statesman", wished success for the new venture.

Mr. Surendra Mohan Ghosh, President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, presiding at the inauguration of the "Swaraj" said that under the able editorship of such a veteran journalist like Mr. Satyendranath Majumdar, the new paper would infuse a spirit of nationalism into the public mind. Mr. Humayun Kabir, chairman of the Board of Directors, said that the new paper would strive to live up to its name and to serve the country.

ROUND TABLE TALKS BEGIN TOMORROW

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Ali Khan at Lancaster House—Headquarters of the British Government Hospitality Fund. A similar compliment will be paid to Pandit Nehru and Sardar Baldev Singh to-morrow night by the members of Parliament who formed the Parliamentary Delegation to India about a year ago.

The dinner will be at the House of Commons.

On the following evening, the President of the Board of Trade, Sir Stafford Cripps will entertain the Viceroy, Lord Wavell, Pandit Nehru, and Sardar Baldev Singh to a dinner and the Parliamentary Delegation will give a dinner to Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan at Lancaster House.

Main Talks To-morrow

The main talks are expected to be launched on Wednesday morning and their scope will be determined by individual discussions to-morrow between the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State on the one hand and the Indian leaders on the other.

The official programme exists in a tentative form only to Thursday, when provisional arrangements—outside the talks themselves—include a luncheon by the King at Buckingham Palace to all the leaders and the Ministers and a reception by the High Commissioner for India, Sir Samuel Runganadhan, at the India House.

Delay In Arrival

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence to-night decided that the arrangements announced for the visit of the Indian political leaders and Lord Wavell to London could largely stand despite the delay at Malta of the aircraft in which the party is travelling from New Delhi, cables Fraser Weighton, Reuter's political correspondent.

According to official quarters, the aeroplane will now leave Malta at mid-night and it is expected to arive at the London airport at 7-30 a.m. (G.M.T.) to-morrow morning (1 p.m. I.S.T.). Some slight modification in the programme may prove necessary if the members of the party are unduly fatigued on their arrival. It is pointed out, however, that the only arrangement cancelled because of the holdup at Malta is the dinner which the Prime Minister and the Cabinet Mission were to give to-night to the Viceroy.

No programme had been arranged for to-night for the Indian leaders, who were expected to spend the evening quietly in their respective hotels. If the party is able to get good sleep on the long hop from Malta to London, it may be possible to adhere to schedule on the programme as a whole.

In Malta

While in Valetta, the Indian leaders Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Vice-President of the Interim Government, Sardar Baldev Singh, the Defence Minister, Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah, the Muslim League President and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Finance Minister—called on the Governor Mr. F. C. R. Douglas and later shopped in Valetta's Kingsway.

A crowd of 200 Indians had waited in vain at the London airport all-day to-day for the arrival of ford Wavell and the Indian leaders. They were representatives of the Muslim League and they carried flags of the League; many of them had travelled specially from Birmingham and all were making plans to stay the night near the airport after Lord Wavell's delayed arrival time was announced.

Before the news of the aircraft's delay at Malta was received it was announced that the leaders and the Viceroy would be met in the London airport by the following Ministers and officials:

The Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence; the High Commissioner for India, Sir Samuel Runganadhan; Under-Secretary of State for India, Mr. Arthur Henderson; Sir David Monteath, the Permanent Under-Secretary for India; Mr. M. K. Vellodi, Deputy High Commissioner; Sir William Croft, Deputy Under-Secretary for India; Colonel Fraser, the Political "Aide De Camp" and others.

Delayed In Malta

VALETTA (Malta), Dec. 2. Reuter): Viceroy Lord Wavell and the Indian leaders who arrived by plane to-day "en route" to London have been delayed here by a slight mechanical trouble in the plane's engines Pandit Nehru told "Reuter" that the delayed halt due to this would probably eventuate in the party's staying overnight.

Pandit Nehru, Mr. M. A. Jinnah, Sardar Baldev Singh and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan called upon Governor Douglas after their arrival and later shopped in Valetta's Kingsway.

RED SHIRTS FOR TRIBAL AREAS

Frontier Congress Move To Foster Good Relations

PESHAWAR, Dec. 2. (A.P.I.): Addressing a conference of Red Shirt workers yesterday at Sardaryab, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan said: "Peace Delegations on behalf of the Frontier Congress are being sent to Tribal Areas with the object of fostering good relations between the two. We want to learn their conditions so that the true bond of fellowship and amity is established for the general welfare of the "Pakhtoon race".

The conference was also attended by some tribesmen who spoke on the occasion, reiterating their support to the national cause.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan recalled the course of previous movements in the Frontier and said that the people who alleged that we were on the side of the British had to-day appeared under different garb. They posed themselves as servants of Islam and dubbed us as Hindu agents. "What's my fault?" asked Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan. "Only this that I stand for the freedom of India and have pledged to wrest freedom from the British hands".

At the conclusion of the meeting Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan selected the workers who are expected to go to their respective allotted areas.

VICEROY AND PARTY IN CAIRO

CAIRO, Dec. 2 (Reuter): The Viceroy Lord Wavell and the Indian leaders accompanying him, left here by a York plane for London this morning.

NEHRU RECEIVES WAFDIST LEADER

CAIRO, Dec. 2, (UPA): Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru today received Makram Obeid Pasha, leader of the dissident Wafd bloc, but Obeid declined to disclose the topics discussed during their hour-long conference.

It may be recalled that Obeid was a member of the dissolved Anglo-Egyptian treaty delegation, offering strongest opposition to the agreement arrived at by British Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin and Egyptian Premier Sidky Pasha. Obeid is an Oxford graduate and a long-time friend of Nehru's.

Lord Wavell, Pandit Nehru and M. A Jinnah and their party will continue their trip to London Monday morning.

They arrived from Karachi on Sunday evening in a BOAC York plane.

Jinnah told newsmen that "the only solution is Pakistan. We Muslims will never submit to a constitution which resulted in Muslims being subservient to Hindus."

Asked whether the London talks would be successful, Pandit Nehru more reticent, said, "The longer one is a statesman the more one realizes it is no use being optimistic or pessimistic. One can only be realistic." He added that he would not stay in London longer than four days as he had to be back in India about December 8.

Nehru stated he hoped to employ his short stay in Cairo meeting leading Egyptians, as he wanted to obtain firsthand information concerning the local political situation.

The party's plane is due to leave Al Maza airfield at 02.30 GMT Monday for London with Malta the sole stop en route.

Talking to friends in the evening, Nehru said he followed Egyptian political affairs very closely, adding that he regularly read Wafdist daily newspapers.

ARAB LEAGUE SECRETARY CALLS ON NEHRU AND JINNAH

CAIRO, Dec. 1 (U.P.A.): Abd El Rahman Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the Arab League, to-day called on Mr. Jinnah and later on Pandit Nehru.

Pandit Nehru signed the Royal register at Abdin Palace and called at Sidky Pasha's residence where he left his card as the Premier was ill.

Pandit Nehru visited the residence of an Indian friend where approximately 200 Indian residents and servicemen were gathered whom he addressed for 30 minutes in Hindustani regarding the background of the political situation in India, emphasizing that Hindu-Muslim relations were not a religious rift but a political difference which would pass in time.

Nehru described India as a "dynamic" country with a great future.

Mr. Jinnah is staying on the first floor of Shepheard's Hotel and Pandit Nehru on the second with the two leaders keeping away from each other all the time.

NATAL CONGRESS CONSTITUTION

Federal Scheme Adopted

(From Our Correspondent.)

DURBAN, Dec. 2.

At a special general meeting of the Natal Indian Congress held in Durban yesterday a new federal constitution was adopted. Naicker explained that the new constitution was designed to give Indians more say in the affairs of the Congress.

It is proposed to divide Natal into areas, establish a branch in each and hold a provincial conference every two years at which the branches will be represented in proportion to their membership. Dr. Naicker continued that the present Congress membership was 35,000 and and if the Indians continued their present complacent attitude none could tell where it might lead them. They should not imagine that because of the recent events at the United Nations session their struggle was over. The speaker urged unity of action.

SLOVAK QUISLING ON TRIAL

BRATISLAVA, Dec. 2, (U.P.A.): Attorneys for Father Josef Tiso and two co-defendants to-day challenged the jurisdiction of the Slovak National Court to try them for high treason because Court President Dr. Igor Daxner was prejudiced through his imprisonment during the Tiso regime.

The challenge was filed in the opening hour of the trial of the former President and two Cabinet Ministers of the Slovak war-time puppet republic. The Ministers were Sano Mach and Ferdinand Durcansky.

One hundred thirteen specific charges have been filed, all carrying the death penalty. Tiso and Mach were in the court room, surrounded by police guards, while Durcansky was being tried "in absentia".

Peace Restored In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Dec. 2, (Reuter): After 24 hours of wild rioting, which caused damage to property running to ten figures in inflated Chinese currency and injuries to over 100 persons peace and order returned to Shanghai to-day.

There have been no fresh incidents since strict martial law was imposed last night and military authorities issued their "shoot to kill" orders to the police.

But the police and troops armed with machine-guns and with fixed bayonets were still patrolling the main streets to-day and standing on guard at strategic road-intersections.

It is reported that a group of 26 suspects arrested during yesterday's rioting has been handed over to military authorities.

NEITHER FREE NOR FAIR

Commons Reply On Rumanian Elections

LONDON, Dec. 2, (Reuter.) The British Government does not consider that the results of the Rumanian elections truly represent the opinion of the Rumanian people declared the Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, in reply to a question in the House of Commons today. According to information at the British Government's disposal he said they were neither free nor fair.

During the election campaivn, he said, parties other than those comprising the Government bloc did not enjoy full freedom of speech or association. Arrrangements on the polling itself were moreover such as to permit wholesale falsification of results and full advantage was taken of this by Government authorities, he added.

BRIBERY CASE APPEAL IN FEDERAL COURT

NEW DELHI, Dec. 2 (API.) The Federal Court to-day opened hearing of the appeal preferred by Captain H. H. B. Gill, former Deputy Assistant Director of Contracts and Deputy Controller of Purchase, Calcutta, and Mr. Anil Lahiri, Proprietor of the Barangri Engineering Works against the judgment of the Calcutta High Court.

The Calcutta High Court, had maintained the conviction and sentence of three months' simple imprisonment passed on the appelants by the Lower Court on a charge of conspiracy to give and take bribe.

INDONESIAN REDS CONVICTED

BATAVIA, Dec. 2. (Reuter): The President and the Secretary of the Indonesian Communist Party respectively, Dr. Joesoef and Dr. Soeprapto, have been sentenced to three and a half years' imprisonment by the republican court justice, according to the Indonesian News Agency.

Dr. Joesoef was found guilty of molestation of Government employees by his party's armed organisation and Dr. Soeprapto guilty of attempting unlawful breaking open of the State prisons and invasion of a citizen's privacy.

Sardar Ajit Singh Repatriated To India

LAHORE, Dec. 2. (A.P.I.): Arrangements are now complete to repatriate Sardar Ajit Singh to India in the middle of this month, it is learnt.

Sardar Bakhishish Singh, Editor "The Khalsa", Lahore, has received the following cablegram from Sardar Mehrbah Singh Dhupia of Delhi who is at present touring Germany "I met the Military Mission at Berlin yesterday. Arrangements have been made to send Sardar Ajit Singh to India in the middle of December".

BIHAR CONGRESS APPOINTS TRIBUNAL

PATNA Dec. 2. (A.P.I.): The Bihar Provincial Congress Working Committee has appointed a new tribunal to decide election disputes. The new Tribunal will consist of Messrs. Bagishwar Prasad Sinha, Shyam Sunder Prasad and Aleshwar Prasad.

The Committee has also lifted the ban imposed on Mr. Moammed Hasirul Rahman, a Congress worker of Purnea, against whom disciplinary action had been taken some time ago.

LASKI LOSES LIBEL CASE

Special High Court Accepts Jury's Verdict

LONDON, Dec. 2, (Reuter). The High Court jury today rejected Prof. Harold Laski's libel suit against the Newark Advertising Company and editor of the Newark Advertiser who, he complained, had wrongly reported him as advocating revolution with violence.

G. O. Slade, King's Counsel for Prof. Laski, in his final address to the special High Court jury today challenged the defence argument that Prof. Laski had been saying that sort of thing for years.

"Sir Patrick Hastings (counsel for the defendants) has been unable to point to a single passage in any of Prof. Laski's speeches, discussions or writings in which he has said that Labour Party or he, as a member of that Party, would have to use violence", Mr. Slade said. "In every case the contrast is made, that violence would be used by someone other than the Labour Party. There is not even coloured insinuation that violence, if it comes would come through the instrumentality of the Labour Party."

Lord Chief Justice, Lord Goddard, summing up said that newspapers were protected by a statute against libel in reporting public meetings where the matter was of public concern. He gave his ruling that the present meeting was of public concern.

The three words complained of, however, were allegedly spoken during a heckling after the meeting and he would leave it to the jury to decide whether it was a matter of public concern that heckling should be reported.

The newspaper was saying among other things, Lord Goddard continued, that what it had said about Prof. Laski was true and that he was the person who was spreading what law called seditious libel. The newspaper was saying that Prof. Laski had done it not only in his speech but in his publication.

If the jury came to the conclusion that the report in the Newark Advertiser was fair and accurate that was the end of the case. If, on the other hand they decided that it was not a fair and accurate report, they had to say whether it was true of Prof Laski that he was an advocate of violence and revolution and used seditious words."

The judge said that the words complained of "are certainly capable of suggesting that Prof. Laski is a man who makes seditious writings and utterances and is a person who incites disorder. I ruled that the words were not capable of bearing the meaning that he was a traitor or guilty of treason and felony".

The jury retired.

The verdict was for the defendants —the Newark Advertising Company and the editor, Mr. Cyril Parlby—and judgment was given for them with costs.

CALCUTTA HONOUR TO I. N. A.

Gen. Chatterji Appointed Chief Executive Officer Of Corporation

CALCUTTA, Dec 2, (UPI). Major General A. C. Chatterjee of the I.N.A. has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Calcutta Corporation on a monthly salary of Rs. 2,000 a month for a period of five years at a special meeting of the Councillors of the Corporation to-day.

The Muslim League Party opposed the appointment and wanted the matter to be referred back to the Services Committee. Poll was demanded to refer the matter back, but it was defeated by 33 votes to 9, five remaining neutral. The original motion was carried. Europeans remained neutral and the Congress, the Hindu Mahasabha and Anglo-Indians supported the original motion.

The appointment of Mr. Chatterjee, is subject to the approval of the Provincial Government.

EDITORS' COMMITTEE MEETS IN CITY TODAY

BOMBAY, Monday.

An emergent meeting of the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference will be held in the Apollo Room of the Taj Mahal Hotel at 11 a. m. tomorrow (Tuesday), announces the Secretary of the Conference.

Mr. Tushar Kanti Ghosh, President of the A.I.N.E.C., arrived here this afternoon from Allahabad.

Mazumdar's Plea For Adjournment

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): Mr. Suresh Chandra Majumdar, Managing Director, the "Hindustan Standard" and "Anand Bazar Patrika" and member of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, in a telegram sent yesterday to the President and the Secretary of the A.I.N.E.C. Bombay, suggested the adjournment of the meeting of the A.I.N.E.C. till the middle of December at Delhi, in view of the present situation in Bengal and also on the ground that it was impossible to attend the Conference on such a short notice.

Mr. A. S. Aiyangar, Principal Information Officer, Government of India, arrived here this evening from New Delhi to attend the meeting of the Standing Committee of the A.I.N.E.C.

CENSOR SLASHES SATIRE IN LABOUR GOVERNMENT

LONDON, Dec. 2. (U.P.A.): The Lord Chamberlain, Britain's stage censor, has heavily censored sketches and songs in a forthcoming show which satirized the Labour Government.

Lord Clarendon, who is Lord Chamberlain, objected to the song "The Left Honourable," which referred to the Ministers by their first names and featured a few dropped aitches.

The producers of the review "Between Ourselves" have asked the Lord Chamberlain to review his decision and are hopeful of being able to use the material in modified form.

LANDSCAPES AND FLOWER STUDIES

Highlights Of Ara's Exhibition

Mr. K. M. Ara, who has organised his one man show of paintings at Chetana needs no introduction to the art-world of Bombay. His art is the expression of a talent which has flowered and sprung into prominence in the face of unfavourable circumstances. It continues to gain weight and strength through his unabated enthusiasm to paint. Mr. Ara approaches still-life landscapes or figure-composition with equal alacrity and freedom and not infrequent succeeds in creating delightful impressions.

Mr. Ara's art is not without faults, but inspite of that, it has acquired a definite character and is distinctly progressive on the lines selected by him. His figure paintings are full of vitality and movement. He seems to be perfectly free and remarkably forceful in painting them.

In the present show the artist has exhibited about a hundred paintings which provide ample material of interest. A few of his landscapes and flower studies are charming. While going round the exhibition some others which appear pleasing to the eye include "Leisure Hour" (13), Returning from Bazar (17), Red Earth (49) Jungle (35) Military camp (55), Cottage Industry (3), Panic (52) and Yatra at Kolhapur (44).

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J. J. SINGH FOR INDIA

NEW YORK, Dec. 1 (Reuter): Sirdar J. J. Singh, President of India League of America, took off by air to-day for London on way to India. Discussing the round table conference between British and Indian leaders Mr. Singh said: "American friends of India and others hope that the deadlock will be broken and that a constitution based on democratic lines of the American constitution will be drawn up as the result of the conference."

Other Indian passengers on the same plane were Mr. Abid Ali, President of the Dock Workers' and Transport Workers' Union of Bombay, who was a delegate to the recent international labour organisation conference in Montreal, and Mr. Patkal, Legal Adviser to the Indian Delegation to the United Nations General Assembly.

KRISHNA MENON MAY GO TO PARIS

France Welcomes Move To Set Up Indian Embassy

PARIS, December 2. (Reuter): Official French quarters today said they were "glad to hear" that the Government of India was reported to be considering the establishment of an Embassy in Paris.

No definite information is available here as to the Indian Government's future course of action in this matter. However, a well-informed Indian source said that he expected Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Secretary of the India League in London, might come to Paris to sound out the situation after conclusion of the visit of Indian political leaders to London.

A French Communist Party official said that the party would be happy to see a representative of the Indian people.

Mr. Krishna Menon, told "Reuter" in London today: "I may go to Paris shortly but I have not heard anything definite about this".

SUB-INSPECTOR NADKARNI FLOWN TO BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Monday.

The pathetic details of the apprehension of Sub-Inspector Shivanand Nadkarni of the Maharbouri Police by an Officer of the Calcutta Police Force are now available.

It appears that Nadkarni who had lost his memory was wandering about in the streets of Calcutta four days back. On espying a Calcutta confrere in uniform, he, it is said, went to the Officer and asked him as to why he was wearing Calcutta shoulder badges.

The Officer, from this random enquiry, suspected that there was something wrong with his Bombay brother. He, therefore, escorted him to a Police station where a search of Nadkarni's person yielded his identity card. Thereafter, the Calcutta Police got in touch with the Bombay Police and yesterday Nadkarni was flown to the city by the same plane which carried Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel to the City.

It is learnt that Nadkarni is now under observation.

FRANK ANTHONY BACK IN INDIA

KARACHI, Dec. 2. (A.P.I.): Mr. Frank Anthony, a member of the Indian Delegation to the U.N.O. General Assembly, arrived here from New York in Karachi to-day and is leaving for New Delhi to-morrow. In an interview he said that the Indian delegation fully acquitted themselves of their duties and truly represented their national views on vital matters. He said that he had to return early so as to be in time for the first session of the Constituent Assembly.

"RUSSIAN DISARMAMENT PROPOSAL NARROW"

LAKE SUCCESS (New York), Dec. 2. (Reuter): Senator Tom Connally (United States) vigorously criticised the Soviet proposal for disarmament when the matter came up for debate before the Political Committee of the United Nations General Assembly today.

"It seems to me that the Russian proposal is altogether too narrow and circumscribed", said Senator Connally. "The United States delegation believes that the question of international disarmament is a much bigger issue".

SEVEN CASES OF STABBING IN BOMBAY

Dacca Riot Death Roll Mounts To Seven: Calcutta Mail Detained

BOMBAY, Monday.

"Seven cases of stabbing, one of them fatal, occurred in the course of the day today. The incidents occurred in the Dongri, Nagpada, Agripada, Maharbouri and Parel sectors" says a communique issued by the Director of Publicity at midnight.

The Communique adds, "In all 45 persons have been arrested in connection with the stabbing in the Dongri and Maharbouri areas.

"Dongri has also reported a case of stone and soda-water bottle throwing to stop which the police fired one round Sixteen persons have been arrested in this connection.

"A minor case of arson has been reported from the Lower Parel area."

A press Note issued earlier in the day said.

"No incident of any kind has been reported till about midday today".

"One case of stone-throwing occurred in the Agripada area last night and the police fired 18 rounds Eighty-eight persons have been rounded up in connection with stone-throwing and acid-throwing.

ATTACK ON MEETING

Police Arrest 48 Persons

BOMBAY, Monday.

Forty-eight persons were arrested by the police following an attack with dangerous missiles by some persons on a party of Muslims assembled on Clark Road last night.

It is stated that at about nine, when the 'Majlis' was in progress, all of a sudden, following a whistle signal, stones, brickbats, sodawater bottles and acid filled bulbs came showering on the gathering. The police at once opened fire at the miscreants and brought the situation under control.

About twelve persons it is stated, were injured as a result of the attack.

The arrested persons were today produced before Mr. J. M. Barot Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, when they were ordered to be remanded into custody.

IN POONA

The District Magistrate of Poona has extended till the end of this month the order issued on November 18 under Section 42 of the Bombay District Police Act prohibiting shouting of political slogans or slogans likely to embitter communal feelings singing of such songs, delivery of such lectures or harangues or exhibition or dissemination of pictures, symbols, placards or any other subject or thing which is likely to inflame religious animosity between different communities within the limits of the Poona City, Suburban Municipality and the Poona and Kirkee Cantonment.

BIJAPUR BAN ON WEAPONS

BIJAPUR, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): The manufacture, sale, export and import of knives and other sharpedged instruments within the area of the Indi taluka has been forbidden for a period of one month. The measure has been taken in view of the Moharrum and Shateshwar fair being held simultaneously during the week.

IN AHMEDABAD

An order under section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, has been issued by the District Magistrate, Ahmedabad prohibiting taking out, joining or attending Tazia processions in connection with Moharrum celebrations for a fortnight expect with the previous written permission of the District Magistrate or the District Superintendent of Police.

The District Magistrate has issued another order requiring all country and foreign liquor shops including hotels and refreshment rooms holding licences under the Abkari Act to remain closed for three days from tmorrow during Muharrum in all municipal towns.

IN DACCA

Seven persons, including one police man, died and 16 were injured till 10 a. m. today as a result of recrudescence of trouble in the city since yesterday afternoon.

Of the dead six expired in the hospital as a result of yesterday's incidents, while another was killed this morning. The wounded also included a police constable.

A pleader's house and a scavanger's barrack were burnt yesterday evening, while the fire brigade succeeded in saving from destruction a building which was set on fire in the central part of the city last night.

The U. P. I. adds: Ten persons were injured in a passenger train held up yesterday between Dacca and Gandaria. Three of the injured succumbed to the injuries. The Calcutta Mail was detained for five hours between Narayanganj and Dacca yesterday due to this incident.

There were two stabbing cases in the town yesterday and one bus was attacked. The bus service in the city stopped since this morning.

MOVE FOR EARLY REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES

CALCUTTA, December 2, (A.P.I.): Steps were being taken for the early repatriation of refugees from the disturbed areas in East Bengal and a number of refugees in Tipperah District have already returned to their village homes, said Sir Walter Gurner, Commissioner, Relief and Rehabilitation, Bengal Government at a press conference this morning.

A healthy sign, he said, was that refugees were returning to badly affected villages, where practically no house had been left standing according to information received from Mr. A. S. Larkin, Special Rehabilitation Commissioner.

BOSE BACK IN CALCUTTA

Mr. Sarat Bose, member of the Congress Working Committee, returned to Calcutta this evening by air from Comilla after a fortnight's tour of the riot-affected areas in East Bengal.

KABULI THUGS IN BENGAL VILLAGES

TAMLUK (Bengal), December 2. (A.P.I.): A gang of about 20 to 25 trans-frontier men, believed to be "Kabulis" raided the house of Mr. Mangalakanta 'Alias' Khandu Padey in the village of Akichara along Chandrakona Road and carried away booty amounting about Rs. 40,000, according to a report received here.

There was a similar report last week of a dacoity at Paridpur in which a Kabuli gang had looted valuables and goods. It may be recalled that the Bengal Government had recently warned against the activities of such gangs, who were said to be mostly Nomadic Tribes from the districts of Khost and Gurdes and the Southern Provinces of Afghanistan.

The press note in this connection had said "The public must guard themselves and be very careful whenever an unknown Kabuli is at hand (in the villages) either in the guise of a begger of pedlar.

IN ALLAHABAD

Since early this morning after the lifting of curfew at 6 a. m. disturbances are again reported to have occurred in the city in the Bahadurganj and Katra areas. At Katra, the situation, it is reported, took a serious turn when free exchange of lathis and brickbats took place between two rival groups in Machli Bazar. Three persons have been admitted to hospital. A twenty-four hour curfew has been imposed in this locality and a battalion of Indian military has been posted.

Tension continues to prevail in the city. Most of the shops are closed. Strong police pickets have been posted at all strategic points.

IN DARJEELING

The ban imposed on the holding of public meetings and processions without previous permission, has been lifted by the Deputy Commissioner of Darjeeling. This step was taken following representations by various political parties in the district. Congress Socialist workers, who were arrested for taking out a procession in defiance of the ban on November 30 have since been released.

NOON ON MOHARRAM PROCESSIONS

PATNA, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): Mr. Feroz Khan Noon in a statemen tregading the observance of the ensuing Moharram says that in view of the communal situation in Bihar many Muslims were of the opinion that public celebration and the taking out of processions during the ensuing Moharram should be forgone this year and that only the barest and essential religious dites be observed with the utmost simplicity.

In conformity with the concensus of Muslim opinion, therefore, it would be expeditious if only the rites be performed and no processions be taken out so that anti-social elements may not exploit the situation for creating trouble.

He adds "it is my desire that an atmosphere of communal amity be created as soon as possible in the interests of both the Hindus and Muslims."

ORDINANCE FOR HOME GUARDS PROMULGATED IN U. P.

LUCKNOW, Dec. 1, (A. P. I.): The Governor of the United Provinces has promulgated an ordinance to provide for the constitution of home guards in the Province. It will be known as the United Provinces Home Guards Ordinance, 1946.

The ordinance will come into force at once in the districts of Cawnpore, Allahabad, Agra, Lucknow, Meerut, Bareilly, Aligarh and Sharanpur.

NO HITCH IN CAIRO TALKS

LONDON, Dec. 2, (Reuter): Press reports and conflicting rumours suggesting that a hitch has occurred in the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations were today authoritatively denied, says "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

So far Britain has not received any proposal from the Egyptian Government that the negotiations should be resumed in the near future.

TURKISH DIPLOMAT FOR TRANS JORDAN

JERUSALEM, Dec. 2, (A.P.A.): Middle East observers as well as Palestine and Trans Jordan Arab Politicians attach the greatest significance to the journey to Trans Jordan of M. Kemal Erkin, Secretary-General of the Turkish Foreign Ministry.

One experienced and competent observer told the "Associated Press of America" that he presumed there was a far-reaching British political interest in an intensification of Turkish-Trans Jordan relations within the framework of Middle East Policy as a whole.

The observer added that the "Greater Syria" plan might be discussed and King Abdullah of Trans Jordan might be inclined to recognise definitely that Alexandretta be included in Turkey. The pewar incorporation of the Sanjak of Alexandretta into Turkey has not yet been recognised by Syria.

GEN. SLIM TO SUCCEED AUCHINLECK?

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 2.

The Congress wing of the Cabinet has directed the Defence Member, Sardar Baldev Singh, to secure a year's extension for the Commander-in-Chief Sir Claude Auchinleck. The Army reorganisation and transference of army's control to Indian hands is in progress and departure at the present juncture of Sir Claude Auchenleck is regarded here as changing horses in midstream.

Sir Claude is due to retire early next year. General Slim of the British Army is tipped as his successor as Commander-in-Chief, India.

AUSTRALIA MAKES HIGHEST TEST MATCH SCORE

Rain Stops Play After Tea: McCool Just Misses Century: England 21 For 1

BRISBANE, DEC, 2, (REUTER): THE AUSTRALIAN TEAM WAS ALL OUT SHORTLY BEFORE LUNCH FOR 645, HAVING ADDED 50 RUNS TO SATURDAY'S SCORE. MCCOOL MISSED HIS CENTURY BY FIVE RUNS. WRIGHT CAPTURED THREE WICKETS TODAY, WHILE EDRICH ACCOUNTED FOR THE OTHER TWO.

England going in on their first innings had scored 21 runs for the loss of one wicket (Hutton), when shortly before the tea interval rain interfered with play which had to be abandoned for the rest of day Australia's 645 in the first innings is the highest ever scored in a test match in Australia.

LIGHT SHOWERS

The queue numbered nearly 1,000 when the gates opened at 9 o'clock, the early rush being due to the desire to secure seats in the grandstand sheltered from the sun and in the shade of the trees fringing the outer reserve.

There were thundershowers over the Brisbane area on Sunday evening but only one light shower fell on the Woollongabba ground. The groundsman Jack Ferquhar, former Queensland player says that the effect would be beneficial. A sprinkle of rain would lengthen the life of the pitch. The weather is cloudy and cooler than on Friday and Saturday.

The pitch was not mown today, nor has it been mown since the match began. Today a groundsman ran the mower only down each side of the wicket and this procedure is likely to help bowlers later in the day. In this subtropical climate grass may grow quickly.

About 8,000 spectators were present when Wright dismissed Johnson in the first over. Thrice he beat Johnson before he was out leg before at 598.

To strengthen the slips Bedser dispensed with long-leg and had Hammond and Voce next to Gibb with Hutton close Gully and Ikin at forward short-leg. The sixth wicket stand which was costly to England yielded 131 runs.

GALLANT INNINGS

McCool, desperately anxious to reach his century, failed by five runs to join the select seven who had scored centuries in the first appearance for Australia against England.

Wright again did the damage. McCool played back and was beaten by the third ball of Wright's second over and Umpire Borwick upheld his appeal for leg before.

Wright's figures today at this stage were 1.3/0/1/2. McCool hit fourteen fours in a spectacular knock of 155 minutes. Such gallant innings in his first Test deserved the century hallmark.

HIGHEST TOTAL

Before Lindwall appeared Washbrook carefully passed hand over pitch surface apparently feeling the length of the grass. Lindwall reputed to be a forcing batsman soon showed power by ondriving Wright for a four and a six both grand pulls. Australia's total now became the highest made by them for Tests in Australia beating 604 at Melbourne in 1937

Bedser still made the old ball swing and frequently beat both Lindwall and Tallon. Despite Lindwall's two big hits the first 40 minutes yielded only 26 runs. With Wright bowling so well. Hammond delayed requisitioning the new ball and instead rested Bedser who then had bowled five overs conceding nine runs.

Edrich relieved Bedser and when Lindwall snicked him for a four. Hammond set four slips and kept them also for Tallon. Edrich's last ball of the first over had Tallon leg before wicket. It was a fast inswinger to which Tallon played back. Thus after two days with only one appeal in England's favour, three were given in 45 minutes today. Lindwall alone showed the ability to carry out Bradman's orders to punish the bowling and straight drove Wright for another glorious six, the over costing 13 runs.

V. Tribe, the left-hander, earned fame for his country by snicking the single that made the total 637. The highest ever scored in Test cricket in Australia. It surpassed England's 636 at Sydney in December 1928.

Tribe was easily taken on the offside by Gibb at 643 and two runs later Lindwall was remarkably well caught by Voce at long-on. Voce holding a mighty drive with his left-hand close to his hip. He flung the ball along the ground and strolled into the pavilion.

So Australia's record innings closed at 10 o'clock having lasted exactly 11 hours. Lindwall hit two sixes and three fours showed himself an accomplished player.

England deserved the highest praise for never flagging in the face of some almost heart-breaking experiences They captured five for 50 but one could not call it a collapse, because Australia did not need many runs today.

MILLER BOWLS FOR AUSTRALIA

The sky was overcast and thunder was heard when play was resumed after lunch. Hutton coverdrove Miller's fifth ball for a two after lunch and was clean bowled next ball. He stepped back to a ball which came through quickly and hit the middle-off stump. Bradman and the rest of the team congratulated Miller but Edrich undisturbed straightdrove the first ball for two after which an appeal against light was rejected. Edrich ondrove the thirteenth ball after lunch—a no-ball from Lindwall—and then rain sent the players to the pavilion.

Rain lasted ten minutes with more threatening but play was resumed after 23 minutes. Edrich readily punished anything possible and cracked Miller beautifully. Lindwall looked menacing, one fast rising ball swept by Edrich's leg-stump and Tallon, 18 yards back, gathered it high above his head. He appealed for a catch but Edrich remained!

After 10 minutes' play another thunder shower drove the players to shelter.

RAIN INTERVENES PLAY

The second break lasted 35 minutes. The batsmen appealed against light before resuming in rain. Only one ball was bowled before the umpires, after three consultations, sent the players to the pavilion again the score still being 21 for one wicket.

The players reappeared after tea, but Washbrook and Edrich made their fifth appeal against the wretched light and the umpires agreed. This delay in a match of such long duration, with so far not too much rain, was beneficial to England. It lost Australia valuable bowling time on a green pitch.

Light rain began to fall steadily and with the prospects of the weather clearing remote, it was decided at twenty minutes past five that no further play would be possible.

It was officially stated that the attendance was 15,850 and receipts £3,050

AUSTRALIA (First Innings)

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S. Barnes c Bedser b Wright	31
A Morris c Hammond b Bedser	2
Don Bradman b Edrich	187
Hassett c Yardley b Bedser	128
Miller lbw Wright	79
Johnson lbw Wright	47
McCool lbw Wright	95
Tallon lbw Edrich	14
Lindwall c Voce b Wright	31
Tribe c Gibb b Edrich	1
Toshack (not out)	1
Extras	29
Total	645

FALL OF WICKETS: 6/596, 7/599, 8/629, 9/643 10/

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Voce	28	9	92	0
Bedser	41	4	159	2
Wright	43.6	4	167	5
Edrich	25	2	107	3
Yardley	13	1	47	0
Ikin	2	0	24	0
Compton	6	0	26	0

(Byes 5, Leg Byes 11, Wides 2, no-balls 11.)

ENGLAND (1st Innings)

Hutton b Miller	7
Washbrook (not out)	5
Edrich (not out)	8
Extras	1
Total (for 1 wckt.)	21

BOWLING ANALYSIS: Lindwall 4/0/13/0, Miller 3/0/7/1.

WEATHER FAVOURS AUSTRALIA NOW

BRISBANE, Dec. 2, (Reuter): A violent tropical thunderstorm broke over here at 10-45 this evening. From 1 o'clock today south-east wind held up this thunder approaching from the West, but the wind veered north-east and allowed thunder to roll in, writes Norman Preston, Reuter's special correspondent with the M.C.C. Woolloon Jabba ground is saturated and rain is still falling heavily. Owing to drought the ground was bone dry till today and can take plenty of water, but when play is possible with Brilliant sunshine the England players may find themselves on a sticky wicket.

Conditions have changed completely in Australia's favour.

IN FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

ADELAIDE, Dec. 2, (Reuter.) The "Advertiser" in a front-page picture today, shows John Bradman, aged seven years, the only son of Don Bradman with his playmates, while his father was making 187 against England. John at a Board wicket is making a lusty drive in true batsmanish style. He is being coached by his father and shows much promise.

SOUTH ZONE MATCH

MADRAS, Dec. 2, (A.P.I.): The first round match between Madras and Mysore in the South Zone of the Ranji Trophy will be played at Madras on December 28, 29, 30 and 31.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Home Member, Govt. of India, who was received by Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Public Health, Govt. of Bombay and Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Vice-President, B.P.C.C., at the Juhu Aerodrome on Sunday.

RANJI TROPHY

Bombay's Innings Victory

Phadkar Claims Seven Wickets

BOMBAY, Monday.

Nawanagar (First Innings)	69
Bombay (First Innings)	336
Nawanagar (Second Innings)	240

Just a little less than an hour on the third day in the match between Nawanagar and Bombay in the first round of the Ranji Trophy for the Cricket Championship of India was sufficient to enable the home team to register a win by an innings and 27 runs. Phadkar who claimed five of the six wickets that fell this morning, was responsible for the inability of the visitors to avoid an innings defeat. A feature of this Bombay University all-rounder's bowling was that he clean bowled all his victims.

HEADACHE FOR NAWANAGAR

Although he was not quite at his best, Phadkar proved to be much too good for the Nawanagar batsmen most of whom appeared to know very little of what a swing is. Neither did Phadkar bowl as fast nor did he swing as much as he is capable of. One feeble cover drive to the boundary by Mankad off a full toss from Modi spoiled the ball sufficiently to knock off a good deal of the swing.

Modi, who shared the attack with Phadkar with the new ball, showed that he still must learn to bowl a good length.

The Nawanagar Captain's dismissal off the third ball of the day was a just reward for Tarapore who had that batsman tied in knots the previous evening. The batsman, however, appeared to be bowled off his pads. Yadavendrasinhji's patient innings terminated when he missed a straight ball in attempting to glance it. Mankad knew very little of what was going on with the new ball. Even the first ball he received from Tarapore was snicked dangerously between Uday at gully and Phadkar in the slips, neither making any attempt at a ball travelling waist high. Jayendrasinhji lasted a brief while before inevitably being a victim to Phadkar. Mubarack Ali repeated the stroke that cost him his wicket in the first innings, and thus completed "a pair or spees." Mansinh offered Phadkar his eighth wicket of the match.

UNPARDONABLE LAPSE.

One thing however, must be noted. Just before the ball that terminated the match, Mansinh hit Phadkar to the mid-wicket boundary and Umpire Karmarkar had to be reminded from the Press Stand to make the necessary signal. Indeed, an almost unpardonable lapse on the part of an umpire officiating in a first class match.

The winners next opponents will be Sind at Karachi. It is quite probable that this will be the last match in the Ranji Trophy to be played in Bombay as most of Bombay's likely opponents have played in Bombay when they last met.

SCORES

The following are the scores:—

Nawanagar (Second Innings.)

Oza b Tarapore	49
Jadeja b Phadkar	0
Vajesinh b Phadkar	0
Yadavendrasinhji b Phadkar	58
Ranvirsinhji lbw b Balooch	43
Samarsinh b Phadkar	32
Mankad b Phadkar	7
Jayendrasinhji b Phadkar	11
Mubarak Ali b Phadkar	0
Mehta not out	4
Mansinh b Phadkar	4
Extras	32
Total	240

FALL OF WICKETS:
1/11, 2/11, 3/63, 4/150, 5/198, 6/213, 7/226, 8/220, 9/236 and 10/240.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O	M.	R.	W
Phadkar	20.3	8	54	7
Modi	11	2	31	0
Umrigar	6	4	7	0
Balooch	10	5	12	1
Tarapore	22	3	55	2
Raiji	10	2	28	0
Rangnekar	3	0	12	0
Merchant	6	0	9	0

Umpires Messrs. Karmarkar and Bhave.

ALL-INDIA CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

A meeting of the Cycling Council of the B.P.O.A. was held last evening at the Sports Secretariat.

Mr. Sorab H. Bhoot was unanimously elected Chairman of the Council, which had recently been given powers by the B.P.O.A. to control Cycling in Bombay Presidency.

Messrs. David Abraham and Minoo Choksi were co-opted as members of the Council.

Mr. Janki Dass made some useful suggestions with regards to the improvement of cycling and laid particular stress on securing the banked track (even a dirt track) if Indian Cycling were to attain international standard. The Council, thereafter, passed a resolution requesting the Executive Committee to move in the matter immediately. Mr. E. Barucha explained the advantage of having handicap races. After some discussion, the following programme was chalked out for the season:

1. 25TH DECEMBER, 1946: BOMBAY ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS:—Covering 100 miles of two circuits from Sion Bridge to Borivli via Thana and Ghodbunder and back to Sion Bridge
2. 26TH JANUARY, 1947: GROUP HANDICAP ROAD RACE:—Covering 100 miles same route as above—open to all.
3. 7TH FEBRUARY, 1947: ALL-INDIA ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS:—Covering 100 miles—same route as above—all provinces.
4. 9TH FEBRUARY, 1941: ALL-INDIA TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS: This shall take place at the W. I. F. A. Grounds Cooperage, starting at 1-30.
5. 26TH FEBRUARY, 1947: WESTERN INDIA ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS:—This shall take place at Poona and shall cover 100 miles—open to all.

Taraporevala Cup Football Tournament

The Taraporevala Cup Football Tournament organised by The Maharashtra Football Federation will open on the 15th December 46. It is open to both Civil and Military teams.

Entries will be accepted upto the 8th inst, particulars can be had from Mr. S. Bajirao, Hon. Secretary, Maharashtra Football Federation, near City Post Office, Laxmi Road, Poona-2 or from M/S Kuckreja Ltd. Sports Dealers, Main St., Poona-1.

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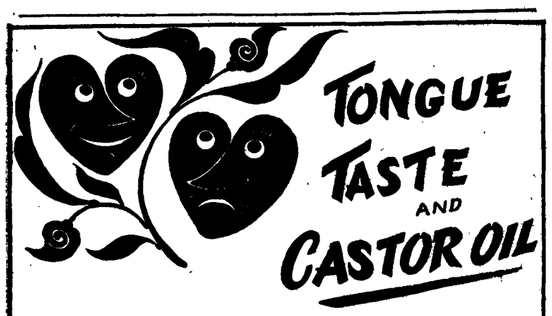

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Share Bazar Steady With Mixed Trading

INCREASED SPECULATIVE BUYING AND COVERING IN COTTON MARKET

Silver And Gold Improves On Better Offtake

Bombay, Dec. 2

The Bombay Stock Exchange was fairly steady with mixed business. Majority of traders are not inclined to increase business pending political developments. Moreover in view of seasonal holidays at the end of the month, there will be a tendency to even-up open business.

The general feeling remains in favour of lower prices in the long run and beyond technical rallies there is no scope for any sustained improvement. The market fears some increase in taxation in the next Central Budget, as a deficit of over runees ten crores is anticipated in railway revenues.

The market opened steady and Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 2830. There was some disappointed liquidation and Defds declined at Rs. 2815 but steadied at Rs. 2820 on some short covering. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 510 and after declining at Rs. 508 steadied at Rs. 510. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 2630 and improved at Rs. 2645. At this level there was some selling and Dyeings reacted at Rs. 2630 but hardened at Rs. 2647 on renewed buying. Kohinoor Mill shares opened at Rs. 905 and after advancing at Rs. 912 quietened at Rs. 906.

Towards the close the market was steady with slightly improved buying. Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 2830 and Ordinary shares were placed at Rs. 510/8. Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 2650. Kohinoors steadied at Rs. 910 and Simplex shares were done at Rs. 432. Trams were quoted at Rs. 121/8. Central Bank shares changed hands at Rs. 125. Imperials were done at Rs. 2800 and United Commercials were quoted at Rs. 124. Associated Cements were done at Rs. 234/8, while Scindia shares were quoted at Rs. 46/13. Closing tone was steady.

COTTON MILLS.

Bombay Dyeing 2650 Century 1125 Nagpur 412 Swadeshi 721 New Great 575 Simplex 432 Kohinoor 910 Colaba 498 Gokak 376 Phoenix 1225 Mysore 330 Indian Bleaching 207 Swan 441 Finlay 400 Morarji 850 Indore 766/4.

STEEL.

Tata Steel Deferred (129/8/9) X D 2830 Tata Steel Ord, 510/8.

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tata Hydro 209 Andhra Valley 1851/4.

Tata Power 1940 Tram 121/8.

CEMENT.

Asso. Merger 234/8.

INDUSTRIES.

Burma 672/8 Alcock 615 Belapur 356 Shivrajpur 50 Steamer (Ord.) 732/8 Scindia 46/13 Premier Construction 315.

CASH SHARES (TEXTILE.)

Apollo 5/3 Elphinstone 105 India United (Ord.) 20/3 India United (Defd.) 4/7 India Manufacturing 4900 Kooria 346/4 Khatau 378/12 Dawn 1500 David 197/8 New City 275 Minerva 268/12 Bradbury 625 Bharucha (Defd.) 9 Bharat 66 Madhavji 24/12 Model 291/4 Laxmi 1935 Vishnu 711/4 Western 4800 Standard 710 Sholapur 8200 Sassoon Cotton 27 Hindustan 4900 Meyer 293/12 Edward 725 Tata 124 Ahmedabad Advance 535 Sassoon Silk 112 New Union 28 Poddar 387/8 Madhusudan 525 Madhusudan B. 110. Srinivas 525, Raja Bahadur 145. Berar 500. Victoria 425.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH).

Ahmedabad 194/6 (New) 122/8 Surat (Old) 258/12, New Pre. 211/4 Karachi 240, Broach 13, Ajmer 15/4. Amalgamated 20/12, Jaigaon 14/12, Nagpur 58, Poona 260, Bombay Suburban 240, Bombay Suburban (New) 160

BANK SHARES.

Reserve 153/8 Imperial 2800 P. P. 692/8 Central 125 India 248 Union 14 Habib 196 International 45 A. B. C. 40 Dena Bank 70 United Commercial 124 Jaipur 82 Bikaner 35/8 Hindustan Com. 62 National Savings (fully paid) 91, (Partly paid) 54/8, Mysore 505, Exchange (Ord.) X R 72 Eastern 106 Bombay Provincial 52.

INSURANCE

Orient 7200 Empire 1250 New India 101/8 Jupiter 44 Vulcan 19/12 Indian Mercantile 69 Universal Fire 20 Vasant 26/4, British India General 29/12. Industrial Prudential 61/12. Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 49.

RAILWAYS.

Ahmedabad Prantij 680 C. P. 109 Pachora 95 Mandra Bhon 113.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Burma New 250 Burma Petrol 5/4/6 Tata Oil X R 100 Mackenzie 197/8 Port Canning 105/8 Kemp 550 Kanga Pharmacy 202, Indian Radio (Ord) 377/4 Indian Radio B 375 Indian Radio 375, Indian Investment Trust 128/12 Wimco 477/8 Tata Chemical 20 Dharamsey Chemical 43/8 Mukund Iron 15/10 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 397/8 Supreme India 228, (New) 180, Jamwire 141/8, Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8, India Cement 42. Walchand Nagar Industries X D 457/8 United Motor 66 A. C. C. New 114 Baroda Glass 10/14.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 255, Tata Steel (2nd Pref.) 182/8 Tram 55 Andhra Valley 1650 Tata Power 1307/8 Hydro 151/4 Bombay Steamer 352/8 Nagpur 787/8 Swadeshi 165 Vishnu 809 Laxmi 312/8, New Great 268/12, Poddar 117 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 136/4 Bradbury 570, Surat Elec. 211/4, Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 153/12, (2nd Pref.) 150/10. Amalgamated 156/4. Habib 72 Tata Chemical 143 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 120 Baroda Glass 11/12.

OUTSIDE SHARES.

Indian Iron Steel 48/12 Bengal Steel 40/4 Indian Copper 4/10/6 B. I. C. 11/4 Burma Corporation 6/3 New Victoria 9 New Victoria Preference 9 Raja Preference 58 Phalton 152 Gold Mohor 450 New Kaiser Hind 510 Sajjan Mill 400 Osmanshahi 430 Ajamshahi 435 Air Service X R 23 Birla Motor 11/12 Marshall 11.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Dec. 2

The Cotton market opened steady at Rs. 465 for January delivery and improved at Rs. 466 under moderate buying. At the rise there was scattered liquidation and the market steadied at Rs. 465/8. Under hopes of upward revision of ceiling prices, speculative activity has increased in the local market.

Thereafter there was active buying and short covering. Large business of Tejimandi was reported and January advanced at Rs 470/4 when some realising appeared and January was quoted at Rs. 469/4. The market closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:

I C C Jan.	469	0	0
I C C March	478	8	0
I C C May	486	0	0
I C C July	494	0	0
I C C Sept.	500	4	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton January Contract is 1278 cent points below New York January at Exchange rate 331.

MID-NOVEMBER COTTON PARITY.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics mid-November parity price for cotton is 26.29 cents.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY. Nov. 30.

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing.
Jan.	467-1/2	462-1/2	466-3/4
March	476	472-1/2	475-1/2
May	484	480-1/2	483
July	491-1/2	488-1/2	490-3/4
Sept.	497-1/2	494-1/2	496-1/2

Karachi 4F Jan. 58-4-0 49-13-3 50-3-6

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Dec. 2

The Bullion market was steady with increased demand for Ready Silver which stands about 500 bars. The Chamber market has fixed minimum price at Rs. 124 and to-day Silver was quoted at Rs. 128/8 in Chamber market.

In the meantime the clearing has commenced in the Bullion market and is expected to pass off satisfactorily.

Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 133. Ready Gold business was reported at Rs. 99/4 and Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 65.

The Government of Bombay has studied the situation of the Bullion market. It is said that some leading merchants had discussion with the Finance Department heads and tomorrow the Board of Directors are to meet the Finance Member about the present situation and new contract.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Dec. 2.

The Produce market was steady today with moderate business. Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 107/6 and improved at Rs. 108/- but reacted at Rs. 107/8 and steadied at Rs. 107/10. Quotations were as under:

GROUNDNUTS:—			
December January	Rs. 21	9	0
January March	20	15	0
Khandesh Ready	124	0	0
LINSEED:—			
Ready	25	8	0
February March	23	11	0
TILSEED:—			
Ready	40	8	0
December January	35	8	0
CASTORSEEDS:—			
December February Navlakhi	23	4	0
Goa Delivery	25	0	0
Bombay Delivery	24	4	0
May Delivery	107	10	0
GROUNDNUTS OIL:—			
Bombay Mills	16	2	0
Up-country Mills	16	4	0
January Delivery	14	5	0
Linseed Oil	17	4	0
Castorseed Oil	15	0	0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, Dec. 2.

Tata Ordinary 510/8 Tata Deferred 2830 Indian Iron 48/12 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 40/4 Bombay Dyeing 2650 Central India 411/14 Gokak 376/4 Kohinoor 910 Simplex 432, Andhra Valley 1851/4 Tata Hydro 210 Tata Power 1940 Associated Cement 234/8 Belapur 356/4 Bombay Burma (Old) 672/8

NEW YORK SEED PRICES

NEW YORK, Nov. 30, (U. P. A.):

The following were closing price of seeds in the New York market today:

Black pepper (Lampong)—70 to 75 cents per pound (nominal).

Castorseeds—250 to 270 dollars per long ton for Brazilian ports.

Cottonseed—85 to 100 dollars per ton at Memphis depending on quality.

Flaxseed (linseed)—7.25 dollars per bushel at Minneapolis.

Linseed oil—34.8 cents per pound in tank cars

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES.

BOMBAY, Dec. 2.

TEXTILES.

Apollo 5/2/6 5/2 5/3 5/2/6 5/3
Bharat 66 66/4 66
Bharucha (Defd.) 9/2 9
B. Dyeing 2630 20 40 35 60 50 55 50
C. India 412 10 14 12 12/8 12
Elphinstone (Ord.) 104 5
Elphinstone (Pref.) 146/4
Finlay 397 99 98 401 399 400
Gokak 375 77 75 76
I. U. (Defd.) 4/8 4/8/6 4/7 4/8 4/7
I. U. (Ord.) 20/3 20 20/3 20/2/6 20/3
Indore 762/8 55 66/4
Kohinoor (Ord.) 906 899 913 5 10
Laxmi Cotton 1935
Meyer 295 90 93/12
Model 291/4
Mysore 327/8 30
New City 275 70 75
New Great 555 54 75
Simplex 432 30 32 30 33 32
Swadeshi 725 26 24 26 24 27 23 24 21
Swan 441
Tata Mills 123 22/8 24
Vishnu 711/4

RAILWAYS.

C. Provinces 109

BANKS.

Baroda 194 96
Central 123/8 24/8 24 25
Habib 205/8 5
Imperial (Old) 2800
Imperial (New) 700 692/8
India 246 48 47 48
Reserve 153/8
Union 14/2 14/4 14
U. Commercial 124

ELECTRIC COS.

Ahmedabad 197/8 94/6
Andhra Valley (Ord.) 1852/8 51/4
Tramway (Ord.) 122 21 21/8
Tramway (Pref.) 54/12 55
Hydro (Ord.) 209 10
Hydro (Pref.) 151/4
Power 1930 40

INSURANCE COS.

I. Mercantile 69
New India 103 2 2/4 1/4 2 1/8
Vulcan 19/12

STEAMER COS.

B. Steam 730 32/8
Scindia 46/9 46/14 46/13

STEEL COS.

B. Steel 38/12 40/2 40 40/4
I. Iron 48/4 48/13 48/10 48/12
Tata (Defd.) 2830 35 7/8 20 15 25 17/6 32/8 30 35 18/12 22/8 20 32/8 23/12 30
Tata (Ord.) 512 8 10/8 9 11 9-8 10/8 9/8 10/8
Tata (2nd Pref.) 181/8 82/4

MISCELLANEOUS COS.

A. C. C. 233/8 35 34/8
Belapur 354 52 56/8 55 56
B. B. (Old) 670 78/12 72/8
B. B. Petrol 5/6 5/4 5/4/6
Dharamshi Morarji 43/8
I. Bleaching 206 7
P. Construction 318 12 15
Shivrajpur 50/8 50
Tata Chemical (Ord.) 20/4 20/10 20
Tata (Pref.) 143
Tata Oil 100 101 100
Wimco 482/8 77/8 80 77/8
A. C. C. (New) 115 14

Certain Section Believes Revision Of Government Cotton Policy

BOMBAY, Nov. 29.

The Patel Cotton Co. Ltd., have issued the following interesting weekly report:

Prices in the New York cotton market fluctuated within a relatively narrow range in the absence of any further news, December delivery gaining only 32 points over the previous week's close.

The strength of March delivery in relation to nearer months was noteworthy as it reflected mill demand in connection with textile orders which found contracts scarce.

The tight statistical position is discounted by the continuance of the coal strike, though its end is expected very soon. It is a general belief that the carry-over on 1st July would be less than 3,000,000 bales compared with 7,000,000 bales as the start of the current season. The mills are buyers at every decline as they are working at a high rate to fill the back log orders into the 2nd quarter of 1947.

No change in the current cotton loan rate is expected in the Washington trade quarters as 92.1/2 per cent of parity is mandatory for 2 years after the official announcement of terminating of hostilities

It would be of interest to note that stocks of cotton are rapidly declining in the producing countries, mostly so in the U.S.A.—China being the only exception. The heaviest accumulations are to be found in the U.K. France, China, Italy and Switzerland.

The U. K. Government on November 20, introduced the cotton centralised buying bill in the Parliament. It provides for establishment of Raw Cotton Commission, who will take over substantially the functions now exercised by the Board of Trade, viz buying, importing and distributing raw cotton together with their rights and liabilities. The Lancashire Cotton industry is opposed to this move of the Government. The trade construes this as Government's intention of permanently eliminating private trading in raw cotton, though private firms are to be permitted to import cotton for re-export. This restricted trading is not likely to afford any consolation to the trade.

The Cotton Control is seeking offers of U. S. cotton for February/March shipment. Shippers, however, are asking a much higher basis than recently, because of tightness of the interior supply position.

LOCAL SITUATION

The Government of India, on receiving representations that the export quota of 15.000 bales fixed for the period September to December 1946 for U.S.A., falls far short of requirements of manufacturers of cotton blankets and rugs in U.S.A., decided to raise the quota to 50.000 bales. Other consideration which must have influenced this decision is that acquisition of more dollars from cotton sales to U.S.A. will enable India to pay for imports of industrial machinery from that country.

The Government however, has so far not decided which countries quotas are to be curtailed to make good the increase in the U.S.A. quota.

Trading in the forward market in Bombay was featureless except for a bright spell on Tuesday afternoon, when prices for all deliveries jumped by about Rs. 6 in 5 minutes on rumour that Government of India had permitted exports of cotton stapling upto 25/31", though no confirmation of the same has come so far. Prices thereafter reacted slightly to Rs. 459-1/4 for January delivery, but again rallied to Rs. 464 on renewed trade support. The market closed steady.

A certain section of the trade still believes that the Government will have to revise their cotton policy in the light of the trade demand and in view of the fact that they will have to find markets for exportable surplus viz cotton stapling below 25/32"

The parity between Bombay and Karachi has remained steady during the week. Reports from Sind indicate deterioration in the N. T. quality.

In the ready market at Sewri, there was moderate activity N.T. was quoted around Rs. 572. 4F hovered around Rs. 520 whereas 289F fetched Rs. 638. Broach Vijaya was negotiated around Rs. 543. Berar Jarilla changed hands around Rs. 481 Old Mathia was sold around Rs 305.

We have received the following telegram from our Karachi Office dated 28th inst.:—

Weather all round beneficial Staple premia have eased somewhat due to restricted mill demand."

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Dec. 2.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.
B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Months.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Months.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Months.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Months.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th Months.
London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 to 4th Months.
London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Months.
London Banks Buying 90 d/st. 1/6 7/32 7th-9th Months
New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs 332-1/2
New York Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 332-1/2
New York Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 329-3/4.
New York Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 328-3/4 under L/C.
New York Banks Buying D. D Rs. 328-1/2 not under L/C.
Montreal Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 333.
Montreal Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 329-1/4
Montreal Banks Buying D. D Rs. 328-1/4.
Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 3550.
Paris Bank Buying T. T Fcs 3650.
Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D D Fl 79
Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D ——
Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 84
Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 157-1/4.
New York/London Cross Rate dol. 4.03 3/8-4.03 1/2.
London/Hongkong Cross Rate dol. 1/2 13/16-1/3 3/32.
London/Singapore Cross Rate dol. 2/3 15/16-2/4 5/32.
London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 479.70-480.30.
London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4
London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs. 17.34-36.
London/Stookholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50.
London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36.
London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4.02 1/2-4.03 1/2.
London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.02-4.04.
London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10 68-70.
London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 10-68-70
London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl 40
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Dull.
Gold London £8-12-3
Gold New York dol 35.
Silver London £55-1/2.
Silver New York dol. 90-1/8.
London Discts. 3 Months 17/32 p.c.
London Discts 6 Months 9/16-5/8 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.
Money:—Call 1/4 p.c. 3 Months 1/2 p.c, 6 Months 3/4 p.c, 12 Months 1 1/4 p.c.
Tone:—Easier.

WEATHER NEWS FOR FARMERS

Forecast till Wednesday morning: Weather will be generally dry.

Outlook for further 2 days: No appreciable change in weather is expected.

BOMBAY SHROFFS (BANKERS) ASSOCIATION LTD.

As the holiday for Muhurram Shia falls on Tuesday the 3rd December 1946 it is hereby resolved that the members of the Bombay Shroffs (Bankers) Association Ltd. should close their Hundi and other business on Tuesday the 3rd December '46 instead of Wednesday the 4th inst. as previously notified in the List of the holidays of the Association.

MIDDLE EAST ECONOMIC UNIT

Lebanese Move At International Trade Conference

(From Our Special Correspondent).

BEIRUT, Nov. 26 (By Air Mail).—Lebanese delegates to the Preparatory Committee of the International Trade Conference have proposed the formation of Middle East economic unit with an independent customs tariff and which would follow the principle of the "most favoured nation" among its membership, it is reported from London.

It is understood that, with certain modifications, the proposal enjoys British support and will be upheld when the conference convenes.

In the meantime the problem of "hard currencies" constitutes a major headache both to Syrian and Lebanese financial and trade circles, who have been negotiating for the conclusion of an agreement to revoke existing restrictions on sterling exchange.

The Anglo-Syrian Purchases Corporation director in Damascus has promised to speed up his report to the Board of Trade and expressed the hope of an early conclusion of such an agreement, it is reported. An appreciable rise in imports from Britain and the Empire in recent weeks has brought a drop in prices throughout the Levant states.

HAPUR PRODUCE MARKETS STEADY

Fear Of Small Cut In Wheat Ration

HAPUR, Nov. 29.

FOOD GRAINS: The markets have ruled steady during the week under review. Local arrivals have been confined to a few hundred maunds of peas. About 35 khattles of wheat have been despatched during the week to other centres. The next two months as indicated earlier in these columns are bound to be very tight. It is feared that the U.P. Government may be obliged to make a small cut in the quantity of wheat now provided in the ration. It is estimated that the U.P. will need 10.5.000 tons of gains upto January 1947 to meet her ration commitments.

There is no slackening of the efforts on the part of the Provincial Government for affective procurement of grains. Schemes for securing closer association of the traders are under consideration and it is confidently hoped that the U.P. will this time give a lead to other provinces in this respect.

The latest quotations in the Hapur market are: wheat 13/8 (control rate 10/4), gram 11/10 (control rate 8/3), barley 9/12 (control rate 7/3, bajra 10/2/6 (control rate 8/8), juwar 8/7 (control rate 8/4). maize 10/8 foreign subsidized 8/- peas 11/- bejhar 10/12. Wheat rates in other assembling centers of the U.P. range between 11/- and 13/8. The retail ration rates range between 8¼ to 8½ seers per rupee.

Local stocks are put as follows: 265, gram 2. barley 5, peas 42, bejhar 48 and other cereals 15 khattles.

GUR AND SHAKKAR: The market continues quiet. Arrivals are steadily increasing and may be in full swing before very long. This weeks arrivals averaged 4,500 mds. daily. The current rates are: Gur 12/4, shakkar 14. It is understood that the U.P. quota for gur exports for the season 1946/47 has been increased from 200.000 last year to 250 000 tons.

GUWAR FUTURES: The futures market remained highly erratic. Closing at 8/6/4 on Friday last. mana shot up to 8/9/2 during the week under review; but has since then declined to 8/5/6. Lowest during the week touched 8/3/9. There was good speculative activity and the sentiment was visibly moved in sympathy with silver futures. Ready remained steady at 9/-.

BARDANA FUTURES: The market remained depressed unlike other futures under pressure of speculative liquidations of profit covering nature. Chet futures were more current. Presently chet is quoted at 79/- against 84/- least week end. The ready prices are: Md. 79/-, Dw. 82/-.

BULLION: Silver market is declining every day. With bulls apparently cornered there is around lack of confidence. This is due to quite heavy imports of bullion this week and in the week before this and the news that more silver may be received in near future. Gold had been till very recently holding fast despite nervousness in the silver section but it is also giving way now. To-day's opening quotations are: Silver 124/12, gold 80/8. Last Friday silver had closed at 140/13 and gold at 89/6.

BANKERS' CLEARING

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 29th Nov. 46 were as under:—

Number of Cheques 162630
Amount of Cheques: Rs. 56.89.62.-191-0-0.

Indian Soldiers Desert Rather Than Fight Indonesians

3,600 Men Have Gone Over To New Republican Army

BATAVIA (Java), Dec. 2 (A.P.A.): Among regular and guerilla forces of the new Republic of Indonesia are up to 600 former Indian army soldiers who deserted rather than fight against Indonesians.

When the last British Indian Occupation Forces finish their withdrawal from Indonesia in the next few days, these men will be stranded in the strange land where they have chosen to begin new lives.

On a recent trip through the Republican Interior, a sarong-clad Urdu-speaking Indian deserter from Calcutta told me the Indians who have joined the Indonesian forces include Punjabis, Mahrattas, Sikhs and Gurkhas.

"The Indonesians are our brothers," he said when asked why he deserted.

This Indian, now with the irregular "peoples army", said he receives only food and shelter. He is given no pay.

He asserted there are 3,600 Indian deserters with the Indonesians including one Viceroy-Commissioned Officer.

British authorities in Batavia, however, say only 600 Indians have deserted in Indonesia over the last 15 months. They said this was not an unusually high number.

INDIAN OFFICER IN INDONESIA

On another trip to the interior, I saw one smartly-uniformed Indian deserter giving orders to a number of Indonesians. Apparently he had become an officer in the Indonesian forces.

Dutch battalion situation maps of the Batavia-Bandoeng highway almost invariably have two or three white pins (the mark of Indian deserters) along with each pin marking in Indonesian troops concentration.

PAN-ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

Iraq Premier Welcomes Move

(From Our Special Correspondent).

JERUSALEM, Nov. 26 (By Air Mail) (Baghdad).—Hmadi Pachachi, former Prime Minister of Iraq, commented in an interview to "al Zaman" newspaper here on Mr. Muhammed Ali Jinnah's proposal for a Pan-Islamic Conference, saying:

"The Indian leader's suggestion provides an excellent opportunity for the review of the problems of Eastern states to enable them to serve their interests in the best manner in the international field.

Mr. Jinnah's invitation indicates that the East is now appreciative of its importance in the comity of nations. Our varied problems require us to study the methods of dealing with them.

Palestine, in particular, needs the support of its Arab and Eastern brethren-states, and I therefore uphold the proposal which could only produce benefit to Arabs," Pachachi concluded.

ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT TO BE SUBPOENAED?

KANSAS CITY, Missouri, Nov. 30 (UPA): Ernie Adamson, Chief Counsel for the House Un-American Activities Committee, today said that he would ask that Elliott Roosevelt, son of the late President, be subpoenaed by the Committee "to explain his foreign political policies".

Adamson's statement was prompted by an article in the current issue of the magazine "Newsweek" quoting Roosevelt's remarks at an Embassy party in Moscow. "Newsweek" said that a party guest heard Roosevelt tell a group of Russian and American diplomats that the "United States has no business in meddling in the Danube area....and the same goes for the Dardanelles. They (Russians) would be foolish to agree to internationalization unless the U.S. agrees to internationalise the Panama Canal and Britain....the Suez and Gibraltar".

TEXTILE COMMISSIONER'S WARNING TO QUOTA-HOLDERS

BOMBAY, Dec. 2 (API): A press note issued by the Textile Commissioner, Bombay, states:

Complaints are being received by the Textile Commissioner to the Government of India from quota-holders and provincial buyers that quota-holders refuse to deliver cloth purchased by the provincial buyers after 10 days of the sale and that the purchasers do not lift the goods for movement within the prescribed time limit.

The Textile Commissioner desires to warn the quota-holders that the quota-holders cannot refuse delivery of goods to the provincial buyers even if the goods are not lifted within the limit of 10 days. If they want to charge godown rent for stocking goods after the time limit, then they may settle with the provincial buyers the amount due to them; but under no circumstances can they refuse delivery of goods and obstruct smooth flow of cloth to the provinces. Refusal to deliver goods ordered to be released is an offence.

Provincial buyers are warned against not lifting the goods within the time limit of ten days laid down in the purchase authorities. If certain circumstances force them to keep the goods in the quota-holders' godowns then it is incumbent on them to come to an arrangement about the charges to be paid to the quota-holders for stocking the goods beyond the prescribed time-limit of ten days.

In case provincial buyers continue not to take delivery of goods within the prescribed time limit, their names will be reported to the provincial authorities with a view to have them removed from the list of provincial purchasers.

9.500 TONS OF MAIZE LEAVE FOR INDIA

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 30 (UPA): A second shipments of maize 9.500 tons—left Buenos Aires today for Calcutta by the Argentine steamer "Campero", in accordance with the Commercial Agreement signed on September 27th, it was learned today.

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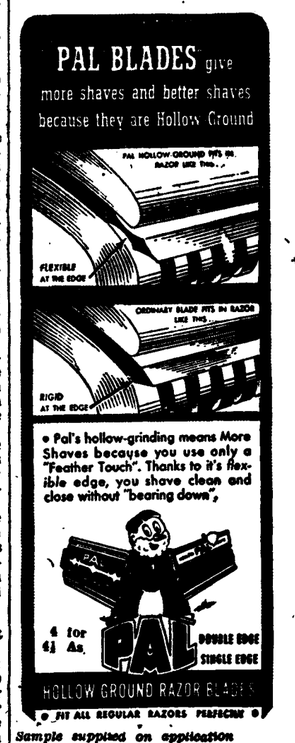
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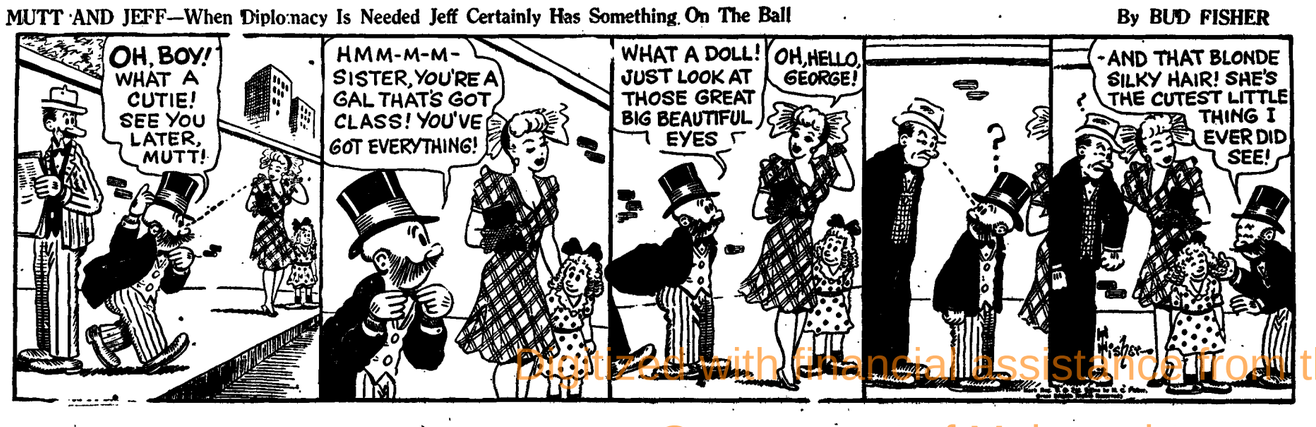
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

BHAVNAGAR PORT DEPARTMENT

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Sd. F. MOHOMED,
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(847)

NOTICE

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Both appointments on four years' contract in the first instance but renewable if services found satisfactory. Appointments terminal on 3 months' notice on either side.

Matron's Pay—Rs. 350-10-400 and Assistant Matron's Pay Rs. 250-10/2-300 a month. Rs. 100/- a year as uniform allowance plus Rs. 2/8/- a month as Dhobi allowance for each.

Free board, free furnished quarters with free electric current for lights and fans for both.

Benefit of contributory provident fund for Matron. No pension.

Leave as allowed to Nursing Sisters is admissible to both. No passage concession to selected candidates unless ex-Asiatic domicile and recruited from country overseas.

Europeans and Indian widow and unmarried candidates are eligible for these posts. Service terminates on marriage.

Apply to the Secretary, Nurses Selection Committee, C/o. Superintendent, Patna Medical College Hospital, Patna.
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TENDER NOTICE

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G. I. P. Railway, Loco Offices Building, Parel, invites tenders in connection with "Construction of a room for R.M.S. Mail Office at Kalyan," upto 3 P.M. on 13-12-1946. The form of tender, schedule and condition of contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2/- per set, during working days. Plan for the work will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3/- per set. These sums will not be refunded.
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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS INVITED from students desirous of undergoing training in systematic Zoology at the Zoological Survey of India, Benares Cantt. Training period two years. Minimum qualifications 1st Class M.Sc. degree in Zoology or M.Sc., degree in lower division, with at least one year's research experience in university or in the Zoological Survey. Stipend Rs. 150 p.m. Six seats available. Preference for at least two will be given to minority community candidate. No guarantee of employment after training. Candidates required to give undertaking to serve Government at suitable salary if required for at least five years in case selected for appointment.

Applications with attested copies of testimonials should be addressed to Assistant Secretary to Government of India, Department of Agriculture, New Delhi, 3, Government servants should apply through proper channel. Applications received after 30-12-1946 will not be considered. 837

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRIES (CEYLON)

VACANCIES FOR SKILLED WORKMEN (COIR)

Wanted immediately Craftsmen who have had at least 10 years' experience in designing and the manufacture of superior fancy coir goods on Jacquard looms, stencil matting (both by hand and spray), spray painted fancy carpets, superior quality coir carpets, coir belting, coir mats, hand woven coir carpets, etc.

The salary which will be according to skill, experience and qualifications will not exceed Rs. 150/- per month, with war allowance and conditions of service for officers recruited from India for a fixed term of years. Rent allowance will be paid but free quarters will not be provided. The appointments will be on agreement for three years. The selected candidates will be required to train the local workmen.

Applications should be addressed to the Director of Commerce and Industries, Colombo, Ceylon. Applications received after 15th December, 1946 will not be considered.

W. J. A. VAN LANGENBERG,
Acting Director of Commerce & Industries.
Colombo, 16 November, 1946
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NOTICE

It is notified for the information of all concerned that I have applied for naturalization as a British subject under the British Nationality and Status of Aliens Act, 1914, and that my application is at present under consideration of the Government of India. Any person who has any objection to such naturalization may send his representation to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, New Delhi.

Name: RICHARD GOTTFRIED.

Present Nationality: AUSTRIAN.

Full Address: Horizon View, Backbay Reclamation, Bombay.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT NOTICE

TENDERS for the supply of all or any of the following articles for one year from 1-3-1947 will be received by the Municipal Commissioner on 13-12-1946 not later than 1 p.m. (B.T.).

Gram about 10,58,156 lbs. or Urid or Muth about 14,96,656 lbs. and salt about 9,560 lbs.

Tenders will be accepted as a whole or split up at the discretion of the Municipal Commissioner.

A set of tender forms will be issued on payment of Rupee one only by the undersigned, from whom further information if required can be obtained.

The tender deposit to be paid is Rs. 7,000/- only.

B. C DASGUPTA,
Executive Health Officer,
Bombay Municipality.
Public Health Department,
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 29th November, 1946.
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NATIONAL TOBACCO CO. OF INDIA LTD.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED for public information that neither we nor any of our associated companies have any connection whatsoever with a certain Mr. A. M. Judah who is believed to be representing himself as an employee of this Company. Persons or firms dealing with him will do so at their own risk and responsibility.

B. N. ELIAS & CO., LTD.,
Calcutta.
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SECRETARY, PUNJAB AND N. W. F. P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE.

INVITES APPLICATIONS from British Subjects or subjects of notified Punjab States or natives of Baluch Tribal territory NOT LATER THAN THE 17TH JANUARY, 1947, on prescribed form (obtainable free) accompanied by treasury or M.O. receipt of Rs. 5 (no fee in the case of war service candidates) for two temporary (for 3 years but may be extended to 5) posts of MECHANICAL INSPECTOR, Punjab Forest Department. Pay: Rs. 800 p.m. Age: Not over 50 years on 17th January, 1947. Qualifications: (a) Training in Mechanical Engineering preferably a Degree or Associateship of a recognized institution, (b) Thorough knowledge of or acquaintance with the working, maintenance and capabilities of Soil Moving Machinery, with wide experience of this work, (c) Service in the field with No. 6 Group I.E. or other similar Unit employed on road construction or aerodrome construction in any theatre of war preferred, (d) working knowledge of Urdu. War Service candidates who wish to be considered for these posts should apply again, notwithstanding the fact that they may have applied previously for similar reserved posts to the Federal Public Service Commission. Such candidates serving outside India can apply on plain paper giving full information if prescribed forms not available. Government servants eligible, Ex-Service men preferred. Further particulars on application.
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EAST INDIAN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

SPECIAL ITEM COSTING OVER RS. 10,000 CLASS I CONTRACT.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in the General Manager's Office, East Indian Railway, 105, Clive Street, Calcutta on or before 12 noon on the 3rd January, 1947.

Tender No. S/SP/Gb2/498 and 499/A for the supply of 22,900 Nos. of Glasses Blue, Green and Red half round for Hand Signal Lamp as per IRS (c) Drg. No. C-1729 and C-1728.

Tender forms with full particulars can be had from the Office of the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, 105, Clive Street, Calcutta on payment of Rs. 2 per copy, to the Treasurer, East Indian Railway, 105, Clive Street, Calcutta, and on production of his receipt when applying for the same.

Firms outside Calcutta may, however, remit the amount to the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, direct by money order. Once these documents are issued, no refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration in the General Manager's Office and then put into the Tender Box outside the Deputy General Manager's (Works) room by the Tenderer or his representative.

GENERAL MANAGER.
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SHETH MADHAVDAS AMERSEY HIGH SCHOOL, ANDHERI

WANTED IMMEDIATELY Teachers for M. A. High School, Andheri (for both the Secondary and the Primary Dept.) in all subjects. Preference will be given to trained and experienced teachers. Apply to the Principal stating qualifications, experience, subjects and salary expected.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY

METRE GAUGE AIR CONDITIONED COACHES

WITH EFFECT from Saturday, December 7th, 1946, and in supersession of other notifications which have appeared, the Metre Gauge air conditioned coach running between Ahmedabad and Delhi will be discontinued and an air conditioned coach will run instead three times weekly in each direction between Ajmer and Delhi as follows:—

AJMER Depart Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
DELHI Depart Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays.
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a temporary post of Production Officer in the Advertising Branch of the Department of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India. Pay Rs. 500-25-750. Qualifications: Diploma in Printing. Candidates must have practical experience of all branches of Printing and Production work as applied to Advertising, especially of typography, block making and colour printing of at least five years in an advertising agency of repute or should have worked in a Government Department in an equivalent capacity. Last date for receipt of applications is 16th December, 1946. Candidates will have to come for interview at their own expense.

Applications supported by testimonials should be addressed to the Advertising Consultant to the Government of India, Railway Board Building, Simla. 863

AHMEDABAD MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the supply of the articles stated below to the Ahmedabad Municipality during the year 1946-1947 ending 31st March, 1947, so as to reach the undersigned on or before 10th December, 1946, at 4 P.M. The tenders should be accompanied with earnest money as under without which no tender will be considered.

The copy of the specification, and tender form can be had from the Store Keeper on application, on payment as shown below. The tenderers are at liberty to remain present at the time the tenders are opened.

The Municipality reserves its right to accept any or the lowest tender.

		Tender fee Rs.	Earnest money Rs.
1.	Road Metal from querries situated on Meter Gauge lines	10/-	2,000/-
2.	Stone Chippings -do-	5/-	1,000/-
3.	Rubble Stone -do-	10/-	1,800/-
4.	Asbestos Cement Roofing corrugated sheets	10/-	7,500/-
5.	Teak wood	10/-	2,000/-

(Sd.) G. L. SHETH,
Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality.
Store Office,
Dt. 25-11-1946.
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EAST INDIAN RAILWAY

EXTENSION OF OPENING DATES OF TENDERS.

(1)

Opening date of Tender No. SP|F|EBI|Bu-69 for supply of 2606 Nos. Case outside Snort Case Buffer has been extended upto 10|12|46.

(2)

Opening date of Tender No. SP|F|EBI|Bu-124 for supply of 5090 Nos. Buffer Plunger W-358 complete with Spindle Plugs etc. has been extended upto 10|12|46.

(3)

Opening date of Tender No. SP|F|EBI|Bu-77 for supply of 3120 Nos. Buffer Case outside has been extended upto 10|12|46.

(4)

Opening date of Tender No. SP|F|EBI|Bu-154 for supply of 2340 Nos. Shank (1'-1" dia. Head) complete with Case inside etc. has been extended up to 10|12|46.

CONTROLLER OF STORES.
(864)

B. B. & C. I. RLY.

Tender Notice No. C.P./6

CORRECTION

In the abovementioned Notice published in the "Bombay Chronicle" of 1st inst., the item No. 6 should be read as Dry Cocoanut instead of Dry Ginger.

G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE DISTRICT CONTROLLER, Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway, General Manager's Office, Bombay V.T. will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 3-00 P.M. on 19-12-1946 for the supply of pure milk to the Railway grainshops at Thana, Dombivli, Kalyan, Neral and Karjat with effect from 1-1-1947. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office.
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THE NEW INDIA BUILDING & LAND IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the New India Building and Land Improvement Society Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, at 11, Clive Street, Calcutta, on Thursday, the 19th day of December, 1946, at 12-15 P.M., to receive the Directors' Report, pass the Audited Accounts for the period ending 31st May, 1946, elect Directors and Auditors and to transact any other business that may be brought forward.

The Share Transfer Register of the Company will be closed from 12th December, 1946, to 19th December, 1946, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
For and on behalf of
the New India Building
& Land Improvement Society, Ltd.
K. M. SALEH,
Managing Director
Calcutta.
26-11-46.
(869)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TRIBHOVANDAS ANANDJI and THOMAS KORULA, of Bombay Hindu and Christian Inhabitants, respectively have contracted to sell their right, title and interest namely 2|3rd share in the undermentioned immovable property to our clients.

All persons having any claim against or to the said right, title and interest namely 2|3rd share in the said immovable property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office 70, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the Sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY:—

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground being Plot No. 14 with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at the proposed 40 ft. Road off Miya Mahomed Chhotani Road in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay, containing on actual measurement 373-38 (Three hundred seventy-three and decimal thirty-eight) Square Yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 88 part, Cadastral Survey No. 1936 of Mahim Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 5859(3) and Old Street No. 335B and New Street No. 20 and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East by the proposed 40 feet Road off Miya Mahomed Chhotani Road, on or towards the West and North by the property bearing C.S. No. 1196 of Mahim Division and on or towards the South partly by Municipal Plot No. 12 and partly by Municipal Plot No. 13.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1946.

DESAI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Public on behalf of our clients Mr. RATANCHAND BHAICHAND SHAH and Mr. RAMCHANDRA PRAHLAD DAMODARE that they have purchased two-third share of Tribhowandas Anandji Valia in the Union Hosiery and its factory and articles and have joined the said R. S. Kamat and that they are now carrying on business of the said Union Hosiery which will now be known in its original name Kamat Hosiery Works in partnership with the said R. S. Kamat and that the said Tribhowandas Anandji Valia and Thomas Karula have no right, title and interest or claim whatsoever in the said Union Hosiery and its Factory and Articles and that nobody should now deal with the said Tribhowandas Anandji Valia and the said Thomas Karula in the name of the said Union Hosiery and that in spite of this if anybody does so he will do so at his own risk and costs.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1946.

DESAI & CO.,
Attorneys for Ratanchand Bhaichand Shah and Ramchandra Prahlad Damodare, the Purchasers.
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

TENDER NOTICE

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Loco Offices, Building, Parel, invites tenders for "Painting of Railway Institutes at Byculla, Dadar, Parel and Matunga on Byculla Sub-Division" upto 3 P.M. on 16-12-46. The form of tender, schedule and condition of contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set. This sum will not be refunded.
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G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE DISTRICT CONTROLLER, Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway General Manager's Office, Bombay V.T. invites tenders for the supply of Kardi Oil to the Railway grainshops at Poona, Shivajinagar, Dehu Road, Lonavla, Dhond, and Ahmednagar, with effect from 1-1-1947. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office. Last date for submission of tenders is December 16th, 1946, (3-00 P.M.).
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THE ASSOCIATED CEMENT COS., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that one Allotment Letter bearing No. 11122 in respect of share (s) numbered 913872/99 of the Associated Cement Companies, Limited, standing in the name of Mrs. Sabar Framroze Ardesher Vakil has been lost or mislaid, and the undersigned has applied to the Company for delivery of the share certificate(s) for the said share(s).

Any person in possession of the said Allotment Letter and/or having any claim to the said share(s) should notify to and lodge such claim with the Company at its Registered Office at Esplanade House, Waudby Road, Bombay, within one month from the date hereof, after which period no claim will be considered and the Directors will proceed to deal with the said application and deliver the share certificate(s) if they think fit.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1946.

SABAR FRAMROZE A. VAKIL.
Signature of the Shareholder
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AUCTION SALES

Messrs. MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 3rd December, 1946, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Cotton Depot Sewree, near B.P.T. Railway B Shed next to Reay Road Station by order of the Insurance Offices concerned 1147-Bales Cotton N.T.-Central India - Western - Broach Vija-Khandesh and Berar, Jerilla saived from the late fire in the cotton of Messrs. Sakseria Cotton Mills.

MENESSE & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE SURPLUS STORES.

By order of the REGIONAL DISPOSALS COMMISSIONER, Bombay, Messrs. CRAWFORD & CO., will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 16th and TUESDAY, 17th December, at 10 A.M. (S.T.) daily, at "H" Warehouse, Khijoori-bunder, Near Green Gate, Victoria Dock, Bombay, the following serviceable stores: Large lots Navy equipment, M. T. chains, hooks, lugs, spikes, rope, Blower fans 110v, Cabin fans 110v. Lamps, Boilers, liquid ejectors, ladders, trailers and ultra light pumps, furniture, etc. Terms: 25% deposit, balance in 7 days, delivery in 21 days or stores and value will be forfeited without notice. Purchaser will have to pay sales Tax.

CRAWFORD & CO.,
Government Auctioneers.

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